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"Thou, Lord, art the Master of music;
Sweet sounds are a whisper from Thee;
Thou hast made Thy creation all anthems,
Though it singeth them silently."

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Sheer Joy

By Ralph Cushman

Oh, the sheer joy of it
Living with Thee
God of the universe
Lord of a tree
Maker of mountains
Lover of me.

Oh, the sheer joy of it
Breathing Thy air
Morning is dawning
Gone every care,
All the world's singing
God's everywhere.

Oh, the sheer joy of it
Walking with Thee
Out by the hilltop
Down by the sea,
Life is so wonderful
Life is so free.

Oh, the sheer joy of it
Working with God
Running His errands
Waiting His nod
Building His heaven
On common sod.

Oh, the sheer joy of it
Ever to be
Living in glory,
Living with Thee,
Lord of tomorrow
Lover of me.

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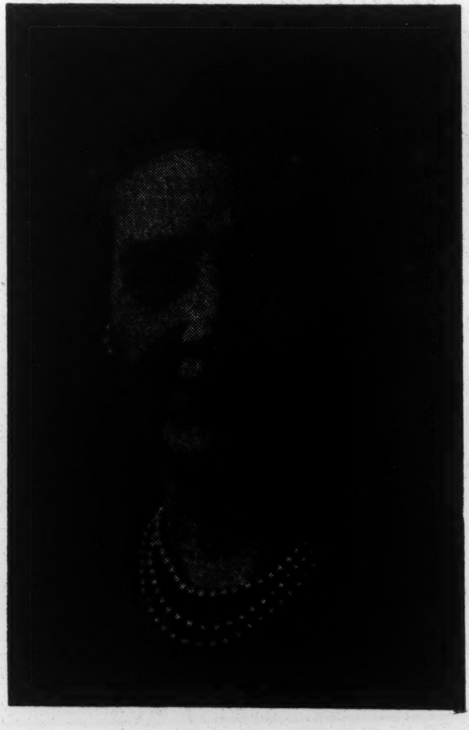

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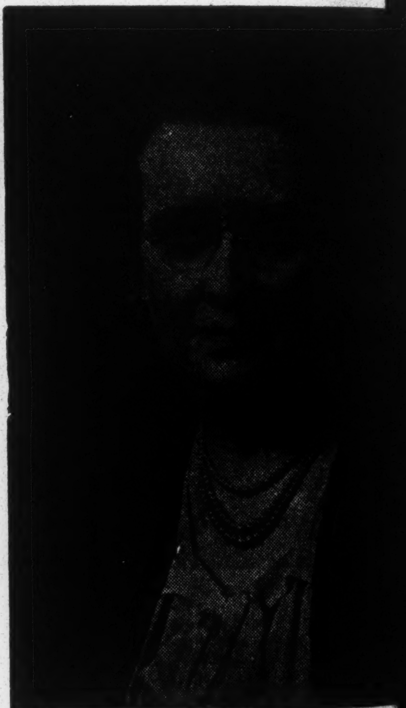

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Convention Theme: "Abiding in Christ"

MINUTES OF CONVENTION

The great and lifting "Pilgrim's Chorus" by Wagner played by the Convention organist, Mrs. Robert Thompson, was the prelude for the opening session of the 65th annual convention of the W.G.M.S. in the ample Spencer auditorium, on Thursday, June 2, at 8:00 p.m.

The front of the platform was beautifully banked with spruce and bouquets of white and red peonies. Below the silver and blue banner with the Convention motto, "Abiding in Christ," stood the lighted picture of the Christ. The new, rich, maroon stage curtain, recently given by the Sterling alumni added beauty to the stage setting.

The Local Committee provided lovely corsages for Convention officers and Board members.

The traditional processional of the Women's Board of Directors, the Editorial Staff of *The Women's Missionary Magazine*, the Missionaries, Home, Foreign, and New Appointees, the members of the Local Committee and the Convention Officers were led to their assigned places by the convention pages, the Misses Frances Calderwood, Cleo Haney, Shirley Hazlett, Donna Santee, and Mary Linda McGill as the congregation joined in singing the Convention Song "For Noble Duty" (Bible Songs Hymnal 97) led by the precentor, Mrs. Nelson Kilbourn.

"On us let the grace and beauty
Of the Lord our God remain:
Strengthen us for noble duty
That our work be not in vain."

Mrs. E. Joe Vandervort of Sparta, Illinois, first vice president, presiding, introduced Dr. Howard D. McCalmont, pastor of Sterling United Presbyterian Church who gave the invocation, asking God's blessing upon all the sessions of the convention, its officers, speakers and upon the women's work at home and abroad.

Mrs. John W. Steele, president, proclaimed the traditional, formal opening: "I now declare to be in session the Sixty-fifth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society of North America."

Mrs. William M. McCreery conducted a fitting worship service with the congregation singing "At Thy

Right Hand" (88) followed by a brief and beautiful exposition of Psalm 16:11. "Thou will show me the path of life, In Thy presence is fullness of joy, At thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore." Man cannot find the way alone. Jesus is the Way and the Truth and the Life. Christ's way alone satisfies; only in Him is our joy made full.

The worship service was climaxed with the glorious singing of Sergei's magnificent anthem "My God and I" by the Sterling Mixed Group, directed by Mrs. Lewis Baldwin.

In the happy greetings from Sterling College, its president, Dr. William M. McCreery, cordially welcomed all delegates to the hospitable halls of Sterling and made all the conventioners feel perfectly at home, telling them that they were now in the world's bread basket where wheat is king.

Mrs. Fred Rumford, newly-elected president of Arkansas Valley presbyterial, greeted the convention with a proud recital of some of Kansas' enticements, its broad sections of ripening wheat, its white-faced Herefords grazing on a thousand hills and its glorious night-sky filled with stars.

The Local Committee was introduced by the co-chairman, Mrs. Howard D. McCalmont, in a most delightful and informing way.

Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, president of the Women's Board, responded in her usual happy manner, expressing wholesomely the gratitude of the Board for another invitation to Sterling after thirty-two years.

Dear Sterling, dear Sterling,
Our thanks to you we bring
In words to magnify.
We've come from far and near
To spend these days with you—
New messages to hear
And God to glorify.
Arkansas Valley, too
Your greetings are so true;
We'd like to stay for aye,
But duty calls us on;
Our task is not complete;
Tuesday we'll bid adieu,
And travel on our way.

Mrs. Heagen presented the members of the Board in such a friendly way that all felt the Board was a close-knit, hard-working family.

Department secretaries Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch, Mrs. H. Ray Shear, Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery and Mrs. Arthur B. McBride presented the Home, Negro, Indian and Foreign missionaries and new appointees, and retired missionaries respectively with pride and appreciation.

The vice president who presided with such charm and so happily throughout the session introduced the editor and treasurer of *The Women's Missionary Magazine*, Mrs. E. D. McKune and Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold and expressed the deep gratitude of the women of the church for such an excellent *Missionary Magazine.*

The president introduced in her gracious way the officers of the convention.

After praise "Christ Shall Have Dominion" (82), and announcements, the new president was presented by Mrs. Vandervort with well-chosen and appreciative words of introduction.

Mrs. John W. Steele climaxed the opening program with the president's message. Her strong and earnest address was built upon the Convention theme, "Abiding in Christ" with the topic, "Redeeming the Time." Her text was taken from Ephesians 5:15, 16. "See that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, for the days are evil."

Mrs. Steele reminded us that we redeem the time by abiding in Christ. "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself except it abide in the vine, no more can you." As the branch would be fruitless, even slightly severed from the vine, neither would we be able to fulfill His plan for us except we be fully grafted into Him by faith. Fruit-bearing branches out in different directions as God calls us to labor in different parts of His Kingdom.

To redeem the time is a divine command to work today. Yesterday is past. Tomorrow for us may never come. How forcibly this has come home to us. In the sudden going of a loved one, God has spoken—redeem the time. The time to be up and doing is now. Has there ever been a day of greater opportunity? Doors are ajar in the home land and in foreign fields. Heed His call and bring your fruit, precious souls, and lay them at His feet today.

We redeem the time when we use every opportunity to speak the fitting word that comforts or challenges or rebukes. And who can ever tell the far-reaching effects of Christian kindness?

Another way to redeem the time is to be faithful stewards of our money. All that we possess belongs to Him. We are not good stewards if we consider what we earn for the necessities of life as ours and ours alone. What have we that we have not received from Him who is the giver of all good gifts? The president illustrated this truth with the inspiring experience of the good steward, William Colgate.

If we truly redeem the time we will abide in prayer. The very foundation of living is prayer. To the Christian it is as necessary as breathing. Men and women in the immediate service of the Lord have seen things happen again and again that made them sure that others were in prayer for them. Eternity alone will reveal the fruits of intercession. We are meeting here in this W.G.M.S. convention at Sterling College because through the years by faith and prayer the life of the college has been upheld. We do not spend enough time alone with God. We need to listen more and talk less. Let us resolve to spend more time waiting on God. "Sweet hour of prayer, Sweet hour of prayer."

The president closed her challenging message with a plea to be just what our name says—United Christians, united in purpose to abide more fully in the Lord and to bear fruit for Him daily.

"The time is short and our days are few,
And night casts its shadow at noon;
So let us be up and doing now,
For the Lord God cometh soon."

The convention secretary led in the closing prayer, followed by the postlude "March Brillante" by Lowden.

The Convention Program showed much thought and careful planning. One was aware of the Convention theme "Abiding in Christ" everywhere and in all programs. It stems from the great text in John 15:4. In addition to the Convention Song (97), the Quiet Hour chorus chosen was "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee." The key to meditation and prayer was Whittier's great prayer-poem, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind."

The devotional theme centered around the Christian's walk in righteousness, the Christian's call to follow Him, the Christian's work to preach and teach, the Christian's task to win men to Christ. The Quiet Hours emphasized Christ's Commission as the Christian's powerhouse. The center of that powerhouse was the prayer room at the rear of the auditorium.

FRIDAY MORNING

Organ Prelude—"Melodie Celeste" by Koschat.

Because of the illness of Mrs. J. D. Almes, Mrs. E. E. Baird conducted the quiet hour using the beautiful hymn, "There is a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God."

She read Psalm 1. She emphasized that the happy life is the one that delights in God's restraints. Enoch walked with God happily. This devotional moment closed with the hymn, "O Master let me walk with Thee."

Because of illness in the home, Mrs. Samuel E. Baird and Miss Ida B. Little could not be present. After these changes of program leadership and some changes in the musical program were presented by the president, the Convention program was adopted.

The minutes of the Thursday evening session were read and adopted. The following Convention committees were appointed by the president:

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Mrs. David Kennedy, Beaver
Mrs. William Hawley, Delaware
Mrs. Robert Pilmer, Des Moines

Dr. Grace E. Finney, chairman of Credential Committee reported a total enrollment to date of 239.

The Recording Secretary — Miss Edith L. McBane announced herself as one who works with secrets. But every one knows her secrets. The Foreign Missions Advance was the biggest event of this past year. For her report of the year's activities of the Women's Board turn to Page 673.

The Treasurer's Report—Mrs. H. Ray Shear read Mrs. Baird's report

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(Page 680.) It shows receipts for the year of $850,071. Thirty-four presbyterials had an increase in giving. She noted that figures can be deceiving. Some salaries are paid ahead and some paid currently so that we may think we have plenty of money when we really do not have. Christianity's unfinished task is to give Christ to all mankind.

Mrs. Homer Kunkle of Conemaugh Presbyterial moved to accept with our gratitude the Treasurer's Report as audited by Main and Company. Motion carried.

The Convention Secretary was instructed on the motion of Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen to send telegrams of greetings to Miss Ida B. Little, Mrs. Samuel E. Baird and Mrs. O. H. Milligan. The Secretary reported later that telegrams had been sent.

Mrs. William T. Campbell moved that the Convention give the right to vote to all missionaries and missionary wives. Carried.

The Parsonage Secretary — Mrs. William L. Neal (Page 691) told about the housing scarcity which has brought heavier demands for parsonage loans. She reported that all churches carrying loans had made payments on their loans this past year. She called attention to the fact that only $5,560 had been received this year by the Parsonage Secretary from presbyterials.

Temperance and Reform Secretary—Mrs. W. J. Harper McKnight (Page 704) followed the singing of the Convention song (97) with a strong plea to be better informed about moral conditions and use all manner of helps, literature, pictures, etc., to inform others. Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.

The Financial Secretary — Mrs. William L. Neal (Page 693).

Testamentary and Annuity Secretary — Mrs. H. Ray Shear, substituting for Mrs. Baird (Page 682) revealed some of the difficulties in handling annuities and reported that the Board has made a new ruling about the residuary amount.

Mrs. Arthur B. McBride spoke about *Fruit Bearing in Far Countries* taking up Egypt, Pakistan and India and North Sudan, leaving the other fields for Monday morning (Page 739). Our task is to make Christ known and loved and obeyed. The seed is the Word of God. But it must be sown, cultivated, then comes the reaping. Miss Lucile Nichols in uniform told of the great need of Tanta hospital in Egypt.

In Pakistan and India the Church World Service has done a signal service. More Bible Women are desperately needed. A little refugee girl in India asked, "Is there wheat in heaven?" Native leaders must be trained.

Mrs. J. J. MacRitchie used as the basis of her Quiet Hour, Acts 1:8 "Ye shall receive power." The great famine in the world today is a spiritual famine. If we are to witness for Him, we must be fully surrendered to His will.

The "Postlude in C" by Rinche closed the morning session.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The organ "Prelude in D" by Sheppard. Mrs. William M. McCreery, second Vice President presiding, introduced Mrs. James K. Stewart who used Colossians 1:10 for her worship service devotional. "Walk worthy of the Lord, well pleasing unto Him, fruitful in all good works, increasing in the knowledge of God." She stressed the holy challenge of living a life worthy of God and the secret of it all was to increase in the knowledge of God. "For this is life eternal, to know God."

The Young Women's Work—Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison substituting for Miss Ida B. Little (Page 677), stressed "opportunity" using girls to spell out the word. She announced the winner of awards. Idaho took the class B banner with a score of

86 and Cleveland won the class A banner with a score of 80. Both presbyterials were winners last year.

The Women's Work—Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison, secretary, (Page 674) noted that a number of young women's societies have now become women's societies. For increase in membership Caledonia Presbyterial won class A banner; Tennessee, class B banner. Idaho and Spokane Presbyterials tied for the efficiency banner. Mrs. Hutchison announced that beginning in September she is to have a page in the *Missionary Magazine* for questions and answers. She invited every one to send in questions.

The Magazine Editor's Report — Mrs. E. D. McKune (Page 697) spoke in deep appreciation of the former editor's generous and wise counsel as she stepped into the editor's place after Mrs. White had done outstanding work as editor for many years. Mrs. McKune spoke feelingly of the time and thought that the editor must give to this demanding task.

The Magazine Treasurer's Report —Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold (Page 698). An audit certificate by John N. Hepburn, accountant, was read and adopted, carrying with it the adoption of Mrs. Arnold's report.

Following an informal Quiz on the June issue, the *Magazine Shower* was dramatized by using six girls dressed in *Magazine* covers.

"Where are you going, my pretty maids?" "To take subscriptions for the Missionary Magazine," they answered. It was an effective way to present the annual shower. Mrs. J. P. White led the Convention in prayer.

The Secretary read a telegram from Mrs. O. H. Milligan expressing love and best wishes for the Convention.

Mr. Richard Nicholls sang the solo "Oh, It Is Wonderful" by Gabriel, accompanied by the Convention organist.

The Junior Missionary Magazine —Editor's Report (Page 701.) In this report Mrs. Heagen stressed the fact that the Junior Missionary Magazine is now 50 years old, making its first readers grandmothers. She also stressed the efforts of the staff to make the magazine attractive and appealing to all to give the children the opportunity to learn about missions.

The Junior Missionary Magazine — Financial Report — Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton (Page 702).

The Junior Secretary—Mrs. Fulton (Page 699). She told of a botanist lying on the ground peering through a microscope at a little flower. A shepherd passing by inquired in a grim voice what he was doing. The botanist let him look through his wonderful lens. "Why, I have been trampling over them always."

The report was presented in alphabet form by twenty-six members of the Sterling Junior missionary society. Banners were given to Los Angeles, Indiana, Spokane and College Springs Presbyterials for increases.

Mrs. Walter H. Holt and Mrs. Fulton dramatized the Missionary Bookshelf. Four people represented the spirit of Inspiration with the cross, Biography with cap and gown, Japan, and the spirit of Home Missions. These spirits urged all, in appropriate fashion, to use books and literature to inform children and adults of missionary needs.

Dr. Evert L. Haney closed the afternoon session with prayer.

FRIDAY EVENING

Home Missions

Organ Prelude—"Dedication" by Franz.

Mrs. H. Ray Shear, Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery and Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch presided.

The worship service was in charge of Mr. Charles Sanders, of the Cherokee Mission, Stilwell, Oklahoma, who is a Sterling College student. After the congregational singing of Bible Songs Hymnal 87 he read Ephesians 6:5-21, with tremendous effectiveness. He spoke of his plans for missionary work among his own people this summer. He made a profound impression on all who heard him speak with such sincerity and such power. The world will hear from him. He has great gifts of personality to lay at the Master's feet.

Mr. William T. Peters of Prairie, Alabama, made a mighty appeal for investing in Negro Missions with his magnificent portrayal of scores of leaders in every field who have come out of Negro mission backgrounds. Glimpses of his own biography gleamed with humor and pathos. His address deserves the widest publication possible. He was introduced in the most gracious manner by his friend, Mrs. H. Ray Shear, Negro Secretary.

Following the violin solo "Kol Nidrei" by Brooks, played beautifully by Mrs. Bryan Graber, Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery presented the Rev. Fred C. Patterson, leader for more than a decade of our Indian Mission at Tama, Iowa. Mr. Patterson spoke graphically and compellingly of the new work among the Navajos into which he will enter in August. He showed how he felt the providence of God was guiding him into this vast Navajo reservation as large as West Virginia where the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. now has nine stations under the direction of the Rev. Andrew McGaffin. It is a most needy field of labor with twelve to fifteen thousand children unschooled and land far over-grazed. Mr. Patterson will be working in full cooperation with the Presbyterian stations among the Navajos. Everyone will be praying for him as he enters his new and great field.

The Reverend Mr. Arthur Gathman, Superintendent of the Frenchburg School, introduced by Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch, Home Secretary, presented an array of arguments for the Christian school in America. If the Christian school is needed in foreign lands it is also needed here in our own land. In certain southern areas the churches do not provide adequate Christian education and leadership for youth. In a Christian school children feel the warmth of spirit and interest of leaders. Groups of older students conduct prayer meetings, church service and go caravaning.

Dr. H. A. Kelsey, former president of Sterling College led in the closing prayer followed by the postlude "March" by Handel.

Most of the delegates remained to see the colored slides of Tama and Ezel.

SATURDAY MORNING

"Organ Prelude — "Poem" by Fibick.

Mrs. E. Joe Vandervort, first vice president led the convention in a worship service using Jesus' great words, "Lovest thou me more than these?" with the Scripture reading taken from John 21:15-21. Miss Eleanor Vandevort, a foreign missionary appointee, led in prayer. Mrs. Vandervort emphasized that to follow Christ, we must be praying Christians. We must feed the sheep as He did. To have prayer power, we must commune with Him. Christ's command "Follow thou Me" is said to all. He leads us everywhere preaching and living His glorious Gospel. She closed the worship service quoting the lifting words of the anthem "My God and I."

"My God and I, go in the fields together
We walk and talk as good friends should and do,
We clasp our hands, our voices ring with laughter;
My God and I, walk through the meadows hue.

He tells me of the years that went before me

When heavenly plans were made for me
to be,
When all was but a dream of dim
conception
To come to life earth's verdant glory see.

My God and I, will go for aye together
We'll walk and talk and jest as good
friends do.
This earth will pass and with it common
trifles,
But God and I will go unendingly."

Mrs. W. W. Hendricks made the prayer.

To the Mountain, Presbyterial and City People — Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch (Page 715) spoke about the forty years of service at Frenchburg and the twenty-five years at Ezel whose graduates are now admitted to college. She introduced Miss Wilda Barnes, librarian at Ezel ,who told of the interesting growth of Ezel with 430 students, having graduated 230.

The school provides for the children a lunch costing 15¢. Three buses carry the children to and from school.

Mrs. W. Raymond Hughes, principal of Frenchburg told of a new school building there. The lunchroom serves about 200 lunches a day. Frenchburg has 145 pupils in high school and 180 in the grades. The impact of all their teaching is strongly Christ-centered.

To the Negro—Mrs. H. Ray Shear (Page 727) reported that when Chase City school was turned over to the county, so strong was the influence of the Christian training that the Women's Board was asked to send a Bible teacher for the school. At Henderson, Miss Mary Conley also teaches Bible in the high school. Our Jubilee Hospital is our big investment in Henderson. Mrs. Shear told of the thrill of visiting graduation exercises at Camden, Miller's Ferry and Annemanie and of hearing our Mission children repeating Bible verses as part of the commencement at Prairie. The Rock Island Railroad has a motto "We made progress because we planned progress" which Mrs. Shear suggested might be ours for the Negro Department.

To the Indian — Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery (Page 732). In 1890 Indian Missions were assigned to the Women's Board. The most important phase of the responsibility is prayer.

The convention song 97 provided a moment of worship in a full morning of reports.

Mrs. Charles W. Fulton presented a clever playlet "Stop, Look, Listen" using Mrs. Virgil Hutchison and Mrs. Russell Montgomery, ringing a bell. The theme suggested that we are to be like a railroad with a time table for reports, a schedule and a destination.

Mrs. Fulton read a recommendation of the Board to be voted on by the Convention on Monday. See (Page 662) for this important recommendation.

Abiding In Christ—Mrs. Walter H. Holt, *Literature secretary,* (Page 694). America is bitten by the desire for novelty. She stressed the need to buy our literature from the literature department. Dr. Kelsey told of the highly recommended book "Dutch Zellers." Read it.

Abiding In Christ with the Thank Offering — Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb, secretary, (Page 706) gave the total of the Thank Offering to be $234,591.27.

Mrs. E. R. Jamieson closed the morning session with a beautiful Quiet Hour, based on the Gospel of Mark 16:15-20. The Risen Lord is the only answer to the world's crying needs.

Postlude "If Jesus Goes With Me."

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Local Committee had arranged for a Tea in the College Sunken Gardens but rainy weather compelled a change to the Frank Smisor Recreation Hall which was appropriately decorated. Hundreds passed through the receiving line. It was a delightful and friendly hour with cooling refreshments and heart-warming friendliness.

SATURDAY EVENING

Thank Offering Service

Organ Prelude — "Berceuse" — Godard.

Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb, Thank Offering secretary, led the convention in a well-planned and beautiful worship service. Following the Processional, "Publish Glad Tidings" with the entrance of the Thank Offering Bearers, Mrs. Newcomb gave the call to worship and the opening prayer, with a lovely choral response sung by the Junior Choir of the Sterling U.P. Church. After the singing of Bible Songs Hymnal 148, the leader read Ephesians 1, followed by Bible Songs Hymnal 14.

The pageant, "The Arch of Gratitude" written by Mrs. Newcomb and directed by Mrs. R. T. M. McGill, was an impressive presentation of the story of the birth and growth of the Thank Offering since its simple beginning in 1888. The increase of giving revealed the steady and enlarging growth of this strong arm of the U.P. Church. The "Arch of Gratitude" made by Rev. R. T. M. McGill and Miss Blanche Ericsson brought home to a great congregation the amazing development of the Thank Offering. The pageant is now on sale. It is to be highly commended.

The presentation of Thank Offering by Presbyterial representatives was as usual a spectacular and effective demonstration. The offertory was the "Air from Orpheus" by Gluck. Mrs. Harry Hutchison gave the prayer of dedication. After Song 147 the Rev. William F. Pinkerton gave the benediction.

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton then gave an introduction to the preview of the movie "Prejudice" made by the Protestant Film Commission.

SABBATH MORNING

A great throng worshipped in the local United Presbyterian Church on Sabbath Morning under the leadership of the pastor, Dr. Howard D. McCalmont with the sermon by the Rev. William M. Nichol of Braddock, Pa. Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb spoke in the Saxman U.P. church, Miss Evelyn McKelvey in the local Baptist Church and Miss Isabel Blair in the local Reformed Presbyterian Church.

SABBATH AFTERNOON

Dr. Helen Martin and Mrs. Harry Hutchison showed slides of the work being done in their fields of labor in Egypt.

At 3:30 o'clock after Song No. 268 the Rev. Arthur Gathman led in prayer. President Steele introduced Miss Margaret Buren, manager of Jane Cook Hospital, Mr. Ted Allebach of Sterling College, Mrs. Patsy Kennedy, house-mother at Knoxville College, Mrs. Arthur Gathman, head of the Home Economics Department at Frenchburg, Miss Ruth Beatty of Ethiopia, Rev. Fred C. Patterson of Tama and Miss Marie Cash of Badomali, Pakistan. All told stories or experiences of their work revealing afresh stark poverty, distressing need and high hard walls of separation. They also portrayed in most gripping manner the power of the glorious Gospel of Christ to change lives and families and fit them for Kingdom service. Dr. J. K. Stewart led in the closing prayer.

SABBATH EVENING

Foreign Missions Night

Mrs. Arthur B. McBride, presiding.

The Evening Worship was conducted by Miss M. Stella Robertson. The theme of her devotional half-hour was the desperate need for more workers in the foreign field. The Bible Songs numbers used were 284, 123, 84 and 176. Those called by the leader to direct the Convention's thoughts Godward were Mrs. J. P. White, Mrs. W. R. Coventry, Dr. Anna Milligan. Miss Robertson also led in prayer.

Miss E. Verna Pillow spoke on "Our Opportunities in Omdurman." "What Next In Ethiopia?" was Miss Isabel Blair's subject.

"The Prayer Perfect" was sung by Miss Eunice Zimmerman, Miss Roberta Kilbourn and Miss Eunice Smith.

Dr. Helen J. Martin spoke on the educational picture in Egypt. Her subject, "We are Not Dismayed" gave the Convention a vivid impression of the dangers and the potential hope in Egypt. Miss Evelyn McKelvey showed the high esteem of the Pakistan government for the nurses trained in our U.P. Hospital. Mr. Fred C. MacMillan prayed for all missionaries and the Women's Board. The Junior Sterling choir sang the anthem, "Eye Hath Not Seen," directed by the precentor, Mrs. Nelson Kilbourn. Benediction by Dr. William Nicholl.

These speakers gave one the sense of deep understanding of their work. Keen intellectual attainments and a strong spiritual approach and ripe Christian personality characterized this great program on foreign missions. These leaders should be given a wide hearing throughout the United States.

Mrs. McBride with graciousness and deep feeling presented to Miss M. Lois Boyd an award pin for 30 years of outstanding missionary service in Pakistan. The convention rose and applauded to honor Miss Boyd. This beautiful service pin is a laurel circle, centered by a crown of amethysts and pearls, precious stones signifying that she is a precious daughter of the King.

MONDAY MORNING

After the organ prelude "Prelude in E" by Hollins, Mrs. J. E. Stephens lifted the thoughts of the convention Godward in Morning Worship. She used John 15:4-8 as the basis of her devotional message. She emphasized that only as we are willing to abide in Him can we have spiritual power. Spiritual union between the Father and the individual is the only source of strength, comfort and personal, effective living.

The Place Committee recommended the acceptance of the invitation of First Ohio Presbyterial for the 1950 Convention and presented Miss Isabel Brittain who read letters of invitation from Mrs. Paul S. Mendenhall, Presbyterial President, Dr. Ernest H. Hahne, President of Miami University, and Mrs. E. B. Fairman, of the Oxford, Ohio, Missionary Society.

Mrs. Wilma Padgett moved that the invitation of First Ohio Presbyterial to meet on the campus of Miami University be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. John R. Manson. Carried unanimously.

Dr. Grace Finney, chairman, read the final report of the Credential Committee:

Officers of the Convention		4
Board of Directors		13
Magazine Staff		2
Presbyterial Delegates		129
Home Missionaries		13
Mountain and City	6	
Indian	3	
Negro	4	
Foreign Missionaries		18
Egypt	5	
Pakistan	3	
Ethiopia	3	

India	1
The Sudan	6
Retired Missionaries	5
Life Members (not elsewhere)	37
Life Directors (not elsewhere)	1
Women's Association of N.A.	1
Women's Association of the West	1
Literature Assistant	1
Total Voters registered	225
Non-voting registered Visitors	45
Grand total registered	270

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Mrs. Gerald E. Jones
Mrs. John Benda
Mrs. Edwin McKirahan
Mrs. Henry Burrows

Following the roll call, Mrs. William Hendricks, chairman, read the report of the Nominating committee. Following this report and there being no other nominations from the floor, the Convention balloted.

The Report of the Women's Association of North America—Mrs. R. C. McKelvey, representative (Page 827) brought the greetings of the Association. She gave a clear picture of the aim of these devoted leaders—to advance the cause of Christ through adequate Christian care of the old, the sick and the children. She noted that 18 nurses graduated this year from Columbia Hospital. All nurses off duty attend daily chapel. Two hundred and thirty-four beds are available. The operating cost per patient per day is $11.00. Eighty-four aged are now in the Home for the Aged.

Report of the Association of the West—Mrs. O. S. Johnston, (Page 830) reported the contract for the first bungalow has been awarded. Robinson Hall will be built in the near future.

Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery conducted the beautiful memorial service honoring the memory of Mr. E. W. Lindsey, a teacher in Miller's Ferry and Camden, Mr. Thomas S. Moore, a member of Ezel faculty, Miss Margaret Bell, missionary to Egypt, Miss Ulrica Liggitt, teacher in Pressly Memorial for 24 years and Mrs. J. D. Sands who served on the Women's Board for 37 years.

As the year has gone by some of our number have gone through death's dark vale to enter into the beauty and joy of the Church Triumphant. We honor these today not only in memory but with the realization that our bond of love is an eternal bond that is never broken. We are united in the love of Christ and that love is eternal.

"The King of love my Shepherd is
Whose kindness faileth never
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever."

A letter from Mrs. Robert MacLachlan telling of her prayers for the sessions of the convention was read by the secretary. Also a gracious letter of appreciation from Miss Ida B. Little thanking the convention for the telegram sent to her.

Mrs. Grant B. Gibson, general chairman, made the report of a committee appointed to review convention instructions prepared by a committee of the Board. Miss McBane, Mrs. Shear and Mrs. Baird together with Mrs. McKune, Editor of *The Missionary Magazine,* have been working for months on the revision and drafting of instructions to convention officers, the Local Committee, and convention committees. One important change involved is the payment of $2 instead of $1 per delegate as registration fee. This was the practice this year.

The committee to review these convention instructions submitted the following two recommendations:

1. That hereafter, the Board of Directors be responsible for the entire cost of room and board at the convention for convention officers, Board members, and speakers other

than delegates; that the Treasurer of *The Women's Missionary Magazine* pay the cost of room and board at the convention for the Magazine Staff; and that the Local Committee assume the entire cost of room and board at the convention for all missionaries certified by the board.

2. That the convention instructions be accepted in their present form as we work toward more efficient and permanent rules.

The convention voted that the report of the committee to review convention instructions be adopted.

Mrs. Fulton again presented an appeal for cooperation incorporated in a series of resolutions recommended by the Women's Board to the convention for adoption. (See *"W. G.M.S. Essentials,"* page 662). A motion was made from the floor that these resolutions be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. E. L. Campbell, seconded and carried that we authorize the cost of the annual Statistical Report to be raised from 50 cents to $1.

Mrs. Arnold reported that the magazine shower totaled about $1,000. She urged everyone to send in new subscriptions. She also reminded delegates that subscriptions should be renewed six weeks in advance of expiration date.

Sowing and Reaping — Mrs. McBride secretary (Page 739) spoke on the work in South Sudan and Ethiopia. In South Sudan we are dealing with pagan tribes.

We must teach them to be literate. The Reformed Church in America has sent missionaries to help in the South Sudan. There is the closest cooperation among the Boards and workers.

Schools and hospitals are sorely needed; more trained leadership is the crying need in Ethiopia.

Miss Carolyn Brewer made her own strong appeal for short-term as well as for career-service workers. A short termer can discover whether she likes the work and the climate and how she handles the language. Mrs. McBride suggested that churches which support missionaries and send letters find thereby a fresh interest in missions.

Dr. Howard Scott of Sterling College closed the morning session with prayer.

Postlude—"Tell All The World."

MONDAY AFTERNOON

Organ Prelude — "Prelude in C Minor"—Chopin.

Mrs. Fred Blick began her Worship service with the prayer hymn "Have Thine Own Way." Her Scripture reading was taken from Luke 10. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into the harvest." As in the days of our Lord, the laborers are few. This is the vision God wants us to have. To feel this responsibility we need to live in His presence sharing His spirit and seeing a world in great need. But we know that Christ can supply that need if we share His passion.

Fruit Bearers At Work — A discussion led by Mrs. Heagen. Mrs. Shear and Miss McBane answered in happy vein many questions in the minds of the delegates. Mrs. Heagen told about the meetings of the Board. Two members come more than 20 miles. Last year they held 29 Board meetings. She suggested the need of a paid secretary. Mrs. Shear amazed us when she made us see that we are partners in a two million dollar enterprise. Many other questions were helpfully answered. The delegates were urged to send in their questions to Mrs. Virgil Hutchison who as noted above will have a page of answers monthly.

Mr. Leon Akin sang "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" by McGirnsey.

Some delegates felt that Mrs. J. P. White's address, "For Such a Time as This" was the very best part of a Convention characterized by some magnificent addresses and talks. She began with Esther, reminding the delegates that they were living in such a time as this. He who is not alarmed is not awake to the great issues before us. The situation in our Church calls for soul examination. Our church membership is static. We are not winning men and women to Christ. We have too many other activities. Social service has taken first place. Women must be loyal to first things. The emperor of Japan says, "We need Bibles." MacArthur says, "Japan needs now, immediately, 2,000 missionaries."

For such a time dedicated lives are needed. Apart from faith in Christ, our labors are in vain. Of course Christ cannot be buried. The earth is not deep enough for His tomb. He lives in the truth that reveals His image, in the Church consumed with His love, in the hearts of men and women who walk and talk with Him.

The Memorials Committee, Mrs. Will M. Hughes, Chairman, reported that no memorials had been received.

The Comittee on Recommendations, Mabel E. Dickey, Chairman, presented the following report which was adopted:

RECOMMENDATIONS

In appreciation of the tireless efforts put forth for both our spiritual and physical well-being, we wish to thank the local committee, the Arkansas Valley presbyterial, the Convention officers, and Board members, and all others who so willingly helped to make this convention a success.

WE RECOMMEND:

1. That the W.G.M.S. follow enthusiastically the plans of the Board of Administration for the United Evangelistic Crusade; using the theme "Learn of Me."
2. That the women of each congregation give serious consideration to their responsibility of sponsoring Junior and Teen-age Societies.
3. That we become conscious of our duty with regard to the Negro and other minority groups in our country. We recommend that each delegate emphasize in her church and presbyterial the necessity of raising Christian standards as well as social standards among the Negroes. That we commend the work among the Navajo Indians to our churches and seek to promote the new project by interest, prayers, and gifts.
4. That hereafter the registration fee for the W.G.M.S. Convention be $2.00; payable by Convention officers, Board members, *Missionary Magazine* Staff, the delegates of the Women's Association of North America and the Women's Association of the West, missionaries certified by the Board, Presbyterial delegates, Life Members, Life Directors and full-time registered visitors.
5. We note with interest the action of the General Assembly concerning the proposed union of the Reformed Church in America and the United Presbyterian Church of North America. As church members, we should be vitally interested and pray that God's will may be done in this matter.
   We also recommend that we enthusiastically cooperate with the joint work of the missionaries of these two denominations in the South Sudan which is already being carried on.
6. In view of the increasing difficulties in the maintenance and administration of our work called to our attention throughout the convention, we wish to express confidence in the judgment of the Board in meeting all emergencies which may arise during the year.

Mabel E. Dickey, Chairman
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The new officers for the next year were presented.

Mrs. J. J. MacRitchie gave the closing quiet hour basing her devotional thoughts on Phil. 4:6. "I thank My God upon every remembrance of you." She suggested that often we are too busy, like Martha cumbered with many cares. We miss opportunities but God can forgive. He is still on the throne. If we forget God it is often that we are in inner rebellion against Him. There are deep resentments, or we do not submit our wills to Him so we lack power.

After silent prayer, Mrs. Steele closed the worship service with spoken prayer.

Postlude—"All Hail The Power" by Stults.

MONDAY EVENING

After the Prelude "On Wings of Song" by Mendelssohn, the president announced Bible Songs Hymnal 114. The Responsive Scripture Reading, Selection 13, was led by Mrs. Vandervort. Mrs. Nelson Kilbourn sang the lovely solo "Consider the Lilies" by Scott. The convention worshiped God through the prayer of Mrs. McCreery. The president then introduced with tender affection and true pride her pastor, Dr. William Nicholl who addressed the Convention on the theme "Dynamic Evangelism," centering around Genesis 29:29. The secret things were God's ultimate program which He was about to unfold through Jesus Christ. Through the incarnation, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ there was released a new spiritual dynamic. It is this eternal purpose which God purposed in Christ which is the message for today. This is evangelism. This is the very heart of the whole church program which is called the United Evangelistic Crusade. It is God's call to soul-winning and the building of His Kingdom through regenerated men and women. Dr. Nicholl divided the ministry of dynamic evangelism into what concerns the church, consecrated personality and a world lost in sin. The church must be cleansed. This is the only agency God has ordained for the salvation of mankind. The church must be a living, giving, revived church.

Dynamic evangelism demands dynamic spiritual personalities who are the salt of the earth. Christians must have dynamic soul - winning power with a compassion like that of Jesus.

In these challenging days the speaker appealed to the W.G.M.S. delegates to go back to their churches with a passion and a witness born and nurtured by the Holy Spirit which will enable them to help create an atmosphere where sinners will be reborn.

"O Zion haste, thy mission high
fulfilling
To tell to all the world that God
is Light."

Dr. Anna A. Milligan, well-loved leader in the U.P. Church, led all delegates, through her tender and beautiful Consecration service, into a new and compelling desire to be more fully dedicated to the work of the kingdom.

Dr. Howard D. McCalmont closed the last evening session with the benediction.

Postlude—"Locatina" by Lardelli.

TUESDAY MORNING

Organ Prelude—"Crown Him" by Stults.

Mrs. Robert W. Mulholland conducted the closing Worship service using Ephesians 2:8 "We are ordained of God." We are ordained of God only if we rely on Him. Whatsoever we ask in His Name will be granted. After prayer by Mrs. Mulholland, the Convention Song 250. The holy moment of worship closed with Mrs. Steele's lofty and beautiful words in the June *Magazine*, p. 611.

Miss McBane announced that the annual Corporation meeting will be held Tuesday, June 21, 10 a.m. in the Board room.

Mrs. Patsy Kennedy read an original poem about the Convention. (P. 667)

The report of the Auditing Committee was given by the Chairman, Mrs. David S. Kennedy. The Committee reported the minutes correct.

Mrs. Steele also read an original poem.

Mrs. Heagen moved a vote of thanks to the convention officers for their wonderful work.

Report of the Prayer Group Secretary—Mrs. John D. Spielman. (Page 703)

During the past year there have been over 1000 prayer groups praying for the work of the Kingdom. There has been a slight increase in prayer groups but that does not mean that our praying is failing. The Prayer Cycle is provided to help you in your prayer life. We are trying to put as much information into it as possible so that all will know what and for whom they are praying. Following quiet music and Bible Songs 112 and the Scripture reading, Ephesians 6:10-24, the Convention went into a prayer period, "Prayer Around the World."

For our Foreign Fields: Miss Georgia Wengert for India; Miss M. Lois Boyd for Pakistan; Mrs. Harry Hutchison for Egypt; Miss Carolyn Brewer for the Sudan; Miss Ruth Beatty for Ethiopia.

Responsive Reading No. 46 was followed by prayers for the Women's work in America: For the American Indian, Mr. Charles Sanders; for the American Negro, Mrs. R. E. Barnett; for the Mountain People, Miss Zillah Hawthorne; for the City and Presbyterial Work, Miss Elsie Cowden.

Mr. Richard Nichol sang Bible Songs Hymnal 105, "Tell All the World."

Prayers for the Boards and organizations: Mrs. Wallace McGeoch for the Church Boards; Miss Phyllis Rogers for the Youth of the Church; Mrs. E. L. Campbell for the Women's Associations; Mrs. A. C. Bailey for Temperance and Reform; Mrs. H. E. Scott for the Evangelistic Crusade.

The president, Mrs. John W. Steele, declared the 65th annual Convention of the W.G.M.S. to be adjourned. Dr. William M. McCreery pronounced the benediction.

Mrs. John W. Steele,
President
Mrs. J. K. Stewart,
Convention Secretary

PRAYER

"Behold, O God, our strivings after a truer and more abiding order. Give us visions which bring back a lost glory to the earth, and dreams which foreshadow that better order which Thou hast prepared for us. Scatter every excuse of frailty and unworthiness; consecrate us all with a heavenly mission: and give us grace according to our day, gladly to welcome and gratefully to fulfil it; through Jesus Christ our Lord."

—*New Every Morning*

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HEROISM

Whether we climb, whether we plod,
Space for one task the scant years lend—
To choose some path that leads to God,
And keep it to the end.

—*Reese*

W.G.M.S.

The members of the Women's Board of Directors at a regular meeting on May 17, 1949, voted unanimously to recommend the following for adoption at the sixty-fifth Annual Convention of the Women's General Missionary Society meeting at Sterling, Kansas, June, 1949:

WHEREAS the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America as early as 1872 "called upon the women of our whole church to consider the condition of their sex in all heathen lands and that they be recommended to undertake, to raise systematically, and more and more largely, the means of maintaining our female missionaries already in the field, or of sending others out under the direction of the mission who shall devote as much time as possible, especially in missionary work among heathen women"; and

WHEREAS in 1876 the General Assembly took action "that the women in all our congregations be urged to cultivate an increased interest in the cause of missions, and that wherever it is deemed advisable Women's Missionary Societies be organized for the purpose of cultivating a missionary spirit and increasing the amount of contributions to the cause of missions"; and

WHEREAS in succeeding years the General Assembly encouraged the women to form societies in all congregations and in 1883 noted that "it is a matter of great gratification that the women of our Church are so generally manifesting an interest in our foreign mission work. In many places missionary societies have been formed, and the happiest results have followed. Valuable missionary information is often given at the meetings of these societies. In several instances correspondence has been carried on with some of our missionaries in the fields and cheering tokens have been given that the contributions forwarded for education and civilizing heathen girls and women especially and preparing them thus to live happier lives and fill more useful spheres, have already done incalculable good. And how appropriate is this! Christian women at work to raise up, by means of the Gospel, their heathen sisters from all the wretchedness and misery of their degraded condition! Such labor will not be in vain"; and

WHEREAS in the year 1887, just four years after the organization of the Women's General Missionary Society, the Principal Clerk of the General Assembly was directed: (1) "To communicate to the Women's Auxiliary Board the high appreciation of the General Assembly of the work which the women of the Church are doing and to wish them Godspeed in all their efforts to build up the kingdom of our Lord"; (2) "to recommend that said society . . . shall undertake no missionary work without the advice and consent of the regular Boards of the Church, and in harmony with them"; (3) and "to express the confident hope that efficiency of the regular Boards of the Church, through the co-operation of the Women's General Missionary Society and its Auxiliary Board, will be largely increased"; and

WHEREAS in the intervening years from 1887 to the present time, the

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General Assembly has consistently commended the Women's General Missionary Society for the type of work done; and

WHEREAS the work of the Women's General Missionary Society in its cooperation with the regular Boards of the Church has grown to such an extent that it has become a vital part of the total missionary program of the denomination; and

WHEREAS it would cause great hardship on United Presbyterian mission fields at home and abroad were the work of the Women's General Missionary Society to be lessened or curtailed in any way; and

WHEREAS the rising maintenance cost of all mission institutions has far outstripped the gifts of the members of the Women's General Missionary Society; and

WHEREAS the members of the Women's Board of Directors, being extremely desirous of continuing the past policy of never going into debt, view with alarm the possibility of insufficient funds to continue the present missionary program of the Women's General Missionary Society: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That all women, young women, and children of United Presbyterian Churches be urged to find their places in the ranks of the Women's General Missionary Society as loyal members in the denominational program so that the work of aiding the regular Boards of the Church be not only maintained at its present level, but augmented as well; and be it

RESOLVED, That all members of the Women's General Missionary Society be called upon to seek after deeper devotion of life and possessions for Kingdom work; and be it

RESOLVED, That wherever there are organizations which combine social service or Church service with missionary effort, that these organizations be urged to safeguard the standards of the Women's General Missionary Society, by keeping a high percentage of their programs of a missionary nature, by presenting to their members the whole scope of the opportunities and obligations of the Women's General Missionary Society, and by contributing a high percentage of their offerings for the missionary work for which they are responsible, namely that of the Women's General Missionary Society (a copy of such an inclusive constitution will be furnished upon request); and be it

RESOLVED, That leaders of all organizations of women, young women, and children in the denomination be earnestly implored to cooperate to the fullest extent in conserving funds for furthering the work assigned to them by the General Assembly; and be it

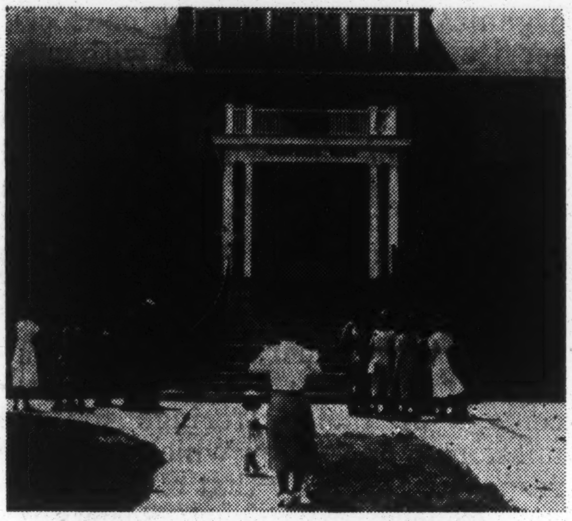
RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the Women's Missionary Magazine, and that a copy be sent to each United Presbyterian minister, to the president of each Women's and Young Women's society, and to the superintendent of each Junior Society.

Adopted by the 1949 W.G.M.S. Convention.

Human Interest Items in Words and Pictures

W. G. M. S. CONVENTION, STERLING, KANSAS

In addition to the informative, inspiring features that belong to the formal program of the Convention there are informal incidents that delegates wish to remember and to share with others.



Convention Time at Campbell Hall

This material has been compiled from items presented by various persons. For the pictures we are indebted to Mrs. Homer Kunkle, Homer City, Pa., delegate from Conemaugh Presbyterial and to Mr. Edward Patterson, Nampa, Idaho, member of the 1949 graduating class of Sterling College.

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The Local Committee had planned wisely for every feature of entertainment. Who complained about the rain when cars were always at the doors of Spencer and Campbell Halls, and even transported back and forth many delegates housed in residences? "Aunt Ella" Smith and her helpers provided excellent meals and quick, efficient dining-room service. A member of the Local Committee, in saying farewell to one of the delegates, remarked that they in Sterling had entertained many groups of people but that no one on the Local Committee had heard one criticism or complaint about the entertaining of the W.G.M.S. *We appreciated them; they appreciated us!*

Three of the Convention Officers: Mrs. E. J. Vandervort, First Vice President; Mrs. J. K. Stewart, Secretary; Mrs. J. W. Steele, President

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The President, Mrs. John W. Steele, and her co-officers made this Convention an "on-time" one as they

The Convention President surrounded by her admiring delegates on "picture-taking" day

A Group of Missionaries — Home, Foreign, Retired, Active and Appointees

kept to the program schedule. Delegates will not forget the sweet "down-East" voice of Mrs. Steele concluding business features with "'Tis a vote!"

Quincy, Massachusetts church sent four members to uphold the hands of the President, a co-laborer in the Quincy congregation.

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Missionaries are always popular members of a W.G.M.S. Convention. The *Sterling, Kansas Bulletin*, weekly newspaper, noted that "of the 36 home and foreign missionaries presented at the opening session, 31 are active, five retired. Veteran honors go to Miss Mary Jane Campbell who began her missionary service when she arrived in Bombay, India in January, 1885."

On Foreign Missions night Mr. Fred MacMillan prayed for many missionaries by name. He seems to know all of them. What a challenge to all of us for the Stewardship of Intercession.

Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch and her Home Missionaries: (Left to right) Miss Zillah Hawthorne, Miss Wilda Barnes, Mrs. Murdoch, Mrs. Arthur Gathman, Mr. Arthur Gathman. (On the ground) Miss Margaret Buren, Mrs. Alice Hughes

Missionary Appointees: (From Front) Miss Mary Nell Harper, Miss Carolyn E. Brewer, Miss Phyllis A. Rogers, Miss Alice Ruth Gabel, Miss Eleanor C. Vandevort

Miss Kate A. Hill, Miss Evelyn M. McKelvey, R.N.

The opportunity to meet and make new friends was not lacking.

Many delegates were attending their first Convention. At least three missionary mothers were present: Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb, Mrs. Klon Matthews.

The Salem Church of Indiana Presbyterial had seven members present, including two graduates of Sterling College and Miss Marie Cash, missionary to Pakistan.

The Convention proved to be a "mother-daughter" reunion for the following: (From left to right) Mrs. Paul C. Bunn, Sterling, Kansas; Mrs. T. J. Lorimer, Topeka, Kansas; Mrs. C. E. Courtney, Monmouth, Illinois; Mrs. Henry Donaldson, Topeka, Kansas. All are Life Members.

A Convention badge worn at the Sterling W.G.M.S. Convention in 1917 by Mrs. Caroline A. McKirahan is in the possession of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. E. McKirahan, a delegate from Vermont Presbyterial to the 1949 Convention.

Resting by the Sundial

Longevity advice quoted by Mrs. Arthur B. McBride, Foreign Secretary, as given by a man of 84, from his own experience:

"When I walk, I walk slow,
When I talk, I talk slow,
When I sit, I sit loose,
When I start worrying, I go to sleep."

Does this advice sound like a perfect home-spun definition for the word *relax?*

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Quotations from the daily mimeographed news sheet furnished by the local committee: "Do you know that Miss Virginia Baroudjian of Cairo, Egypt is a student in S. C. and taught French to American soldiers at Assiut College? Belaimeh Sebsibe of Addis Ababa is a freshman here, sent by the Emperor of Ethiopia?"

Do you know that Mr. Charles Sanders, a student at Sterling College, will work among his own people at Stilwell, Oklahoma this summer?

Mr. Charles Sanders "At the Beginning of the Trail" in Christian Witnessing

Mrs. Patsy Kennedy, matron of the Boys' Dormitory at Knoxville College, mother of the first Negro Junior Life Member read an original poem which expresses the gratitude of all whose happy privilege it was to attend the 1949 W.G.M.S. Convention at Sterling, Kansas.

THE FORTY-NINERS

By Mrs. Patsy L. Kennedy
(Dedicated to Mrs. H. Ray Shear)

Were you one of the 'Forty-niners,
Going West in search of gold?
There were mines of it at Sterling.
There was spiritual wealth untold.

Did you see those Junior nuggets?
Each a wondrous story told.
Even babes have been prospecting,
And they, too, have found much gold.

Were you thrilled at that procession,
Bringing thousands for their thanks?
Offering all to win some others
To the glorious Christian ranks.

Was that Arch made with your gold-bricks?
Did you help to build it high?
You can't do so much alone,
But, you can say, "My God and I."

Did you meet those fine young Christians?
Giving lives, more precious than gold?
Leaving homes, and friends, and kindred,
That the Gospel story may be told?

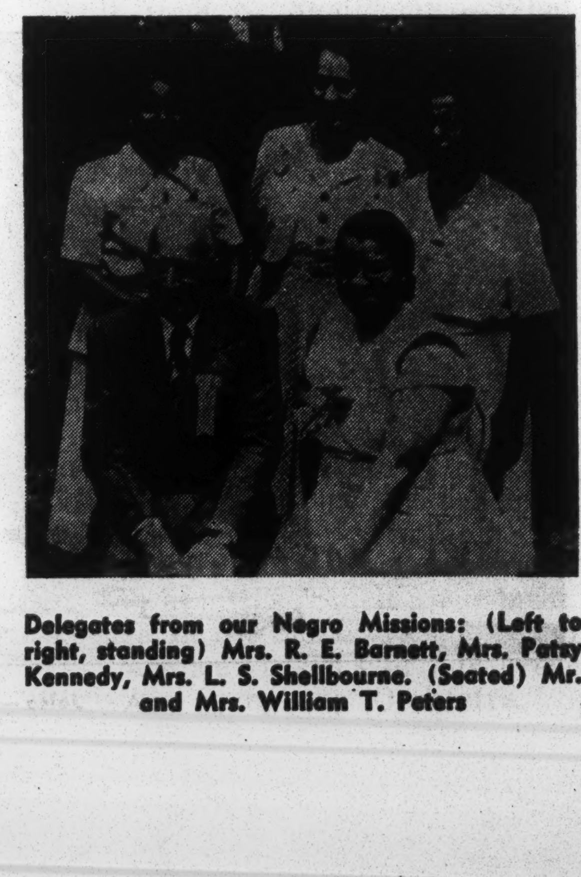
May God bless them as they go forth.
May their comfort always be,
"Inasmuch as you've helped others,
You have done it unto me."

Did you get the meaning of that message?
"For such a time as this?"
Are you willing like Queen Esther
To bring to the people bliss?

Did the quiet hour impress you?
"I am God, be still and know."
Could you hear His sweet voice speaking,
Calling to you, soft and low?

Did He tell you of the harvest,
Of the workers all so few?
Do you know that He is calling?
Calling me and calling you?

I am one of the 'Forty-niners,'
And I've mined a wealth of gold;
Riches that will last forever,
Treasures that will ne'er grow old.



Delegates from our Negro Missions: (Left to right, standing) Mrs. R. E. Barnett, Mrs. Patsy Kennedy, Mrs. L. S. Shellbourne. (Seated) Mr. and Mrs. William T. Peters

Suggestions for the August Program

"COME TO THE JALSA (FAIR)"

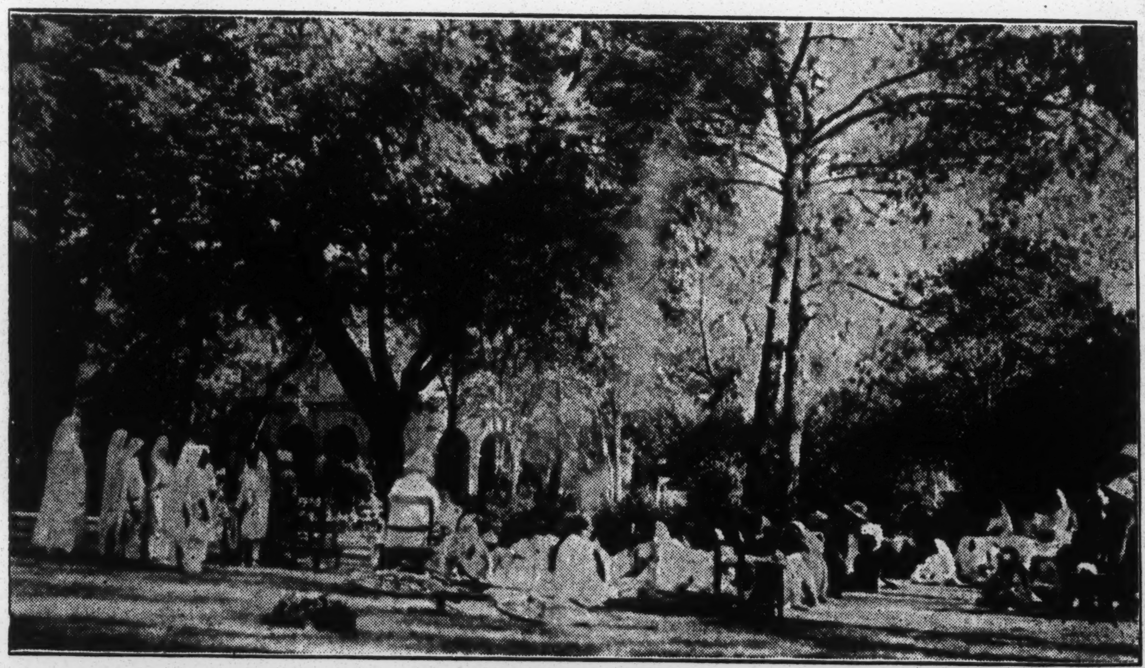
The sun is a-shining to welcome the day,
Heigh-ho! Come to the Jalsa!
Missionary folk are singing so merry and gay,
Heigh-ho! Come to the Jalsa!
There'll be topics enchanting you'll all want to hear
And interesting echoes about the past year,
So it's come then, maidens and women,
To the Jalsa on the date of your meeting—
So deck yourselves out in your summer array
With a Heigh-ho! Come to the Jalsa!

The Leaders are playing the tune that you know:
"Heigh-ho! Come to the Jalsa!"
The drums are all beating, away let us go,
"Heigh-ho! Come to the Jalsa!"
You'll hear of the Sterling Convention in June
And of future needs for your help now and soon,
So it's come then, maidens and women
To the Jalsa on the date of your meeting—
So leave all your housework, there'll be plenty of fun,
And it's Heigh-ho! Come to the Jalsa!
—Apologies to the writer of the song, "Come to the Fair"

A *Jalsa!* What is it?

The June Jalsa is a meeting of Christian women who come to a Center from the various churches of the district, bringing their thank offerings. A tent is put up for the meeting. The time is taken up by a program in the form of a thank offering—an address, a Bible Reading contest, a drama or a moving picture. At times, if it is not dark, bands of women gather around one who has a drum and will sing all night.

Suggested refreshments: Melons, fruits, fruit juice, nuts and cookies.



A Jalsa — India

Girls' Circle Program

(For August Meeting)

By MRS. WALTER G. COMIN, JR., Pittsburgh, Pa.

In India a fair or fete might be known as a Jalsa. How thoroughly everyone enjoys it! People in India love a party of any sort, I am told, just as we in America enjoy almost any kind of outing with crowds of people. So, for this August meeting why not gather all of your friends together for a rally? Perhaps groups in neighboring towns or districts might like to join in a really rousing festival at some convenient picnic ground or park. In that case each group should plan some part of the program.

Since the worship theme is "Take my voice—" make it an old-fashioned singing meeting. Miss Alice Long, writer of the Worship Service is a beautiful soloist, well known to many of our young people at Conventions. Intersperse the songs with reports of the Convention in this magazine. For variety you might have several people work up a question-and-answer skit on *"Facts and Figures."* Another group might describe the various "movements" in *The W.G.M.S. Symphony*.

End with the prayer circle, around a campfire if possible and send everyone home singing.

Scripture reference: Psalm 96.
Prayer cycle: 7, 8, 9 days.

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For more detailed information about the Jalsa of India see article by Mrs. J. G. Campbell (June, 1947 *Magazine*, p. 607). Dr. Helen Martin says that Egyptian women have the same custom and the word used means, "a sitting down together." Why not "sit down together" for August "porch party" or mid-summer rally in the park?

Perhaps the parody-song on opposite page might announce the meeting.

Worship theme, *Take My Voice* (p. 670).

Topics—Highlights from this issue of *Magazine* (See Quiz, p. 843):

1. *Echoes of* 1949 *Convention* — Glean interesting items from Minutes (pp. 643-662). Note theme, officers, business, missionaries present, human-interest items and pictures, recommendations, 1950 meeting place, etc. . . Sing Convention Song (B.S.H. 97).

2. *Facts and Figures* (From Board Secretaries, (pp. 673-714). A few significant items may be presented by chart, flash-cards, blackboard, question-and-answer or Quiz method.

3. *W. G. M. S. Symphony* — What word could better summarize the messages from our missionaries? (pp. 715-821). See Webster for definition of *symphony*. Many personalities and institutions in America and across the seas produce together, like a great symphony orchestra, the Glory Song of victorious Christianity! In the Southland of our own U.S.A. we find them; on Indian reservations, in the Kentucky mountains and other needy homeland areas. In India and Pakistan, missionaries are bringing forth sweet melodies through preaching, teaching and healing, using many "instruments" or appointed means, that the Word of God might be manifest through the Spirit of Christ. Likewise, in the Sudan, Ethiopia and Egypt are sections of our great "Christian Symphony Orchestra."

Worship Service

THEME: LEARNING TO SERVE HIM—SINGING GOSPEL

By MISS ALICE LONG, 141 Ritzland Rd., Pittsburgh 21, Pa.

Take my voice and let me sing
Always, only, for my King.

Leader: Let all the world in every corner sing: "My God and King."
Songs: B.S.H. No. 100: 1 & 2; No. 94: 1 & 4.
Prayer: Leader (Participation by others also if desired).
Scripture: Psalm 96; Psalm 100.
Song: Theme Song B.S.H. No. 84, Stanza 4.
Year's Theme (Everyone) Psalm 72: 19.
Prayer Cycle (1949) 7, 8, 9 Days.
Songs: B.S.H. No. 106, 1 & 2; No. 105, 1 & 3.
Meditation: *Take my Voice*

In the hurry and fear of our atomic age, the voice of calm with the serenity of a God-trusting soul, is as a stream of living water in a desert land. All about us we hear the noisy cries of the masses who put their trust in man's pitiful small defenses. God still speaks to the faithful: "Be still and know that I am God." He has also said "Go ye." To some it means the mission fields, to others just to their friends and neighbors. He needs our voices to tell the old, old story, to train the young, to comfort and help in this vast land of ours. Speak a word for Christ each day. If every professing Christian would grasp the opportunity to speak a word for Him, how quickly the word would spread. This is our Father's world and war mongers to the contrary, He will not let mere man change or destroy His great plan for the universe.

Take my voice and let me sing.

Some of us can carry a message much better with a song. The lyric passages of the Bible caught the imaginations of the great composers causing them to write magnificent Oratorios. To them God gave the power to hear and set down the melodies of the ages. Music is a combination of many things—will, understanding and imagination. Nothing but *soul* can put *soul* into music, and the *soul* is God's work. The more of God there is in either composer or performer the purer the song. Unbelief does not praise. The Master Musician gives these priceless boons in their best forms to those who take the Giver with the Gift.

Music is one of the oldest of the fine arts. It has been closely allied with religion throughout the ages. Hebrew psalmody and Christian hymnology (that grew out of it) have served as the wings to carry the Gospel far over the earth. Young people and little children are captivated by melody and the message on its strains remains with them long after the singer is gone. Music for young people should always be of the very best because it is during the growing years it has its greatest natural appeal. Train a child to respect and honor the great Psalms and hymns of the Church. They will serve as a springboard to all good music. Realizing always man's voice is merely the instrument, but in the hands of the Master Musician, untold joys may come to both singer and hearer. Even as we give our hearts to Him and find peace, our voices, too, in His hands become tremendous influences for His Kingdom.

"To the Master of Music and
Loveliness,
Praise, Power, Dominion
forever."

Praise: B.S.H. No. 273, 1-2-3.

Minutes of the Corporation Meeting

The annual corporation meeting of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America was held in Calvin Hall, Publication Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday morning, June 21, 1949, at 10 o'clock. Opening devotions were led by Mrs. W. T. Campbell, President of Allegheny Presbyterial. Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, President of the Board of Directors, presided. Twenty-one voters were present.

A composite audit certificate by Main and Company, certified public accountants, covering reports of all Board members handling financial accounts, was read and adopted. Reports of the remaining departments of work of the Board of Directors were adopted as presented at the preceding annual Convention held in Sterling, Kansas.

The report of the Editor of the *Women's Missionary Magazine* was adopted as presented at the Convention. An audit certificate by John N. Hepburn, account, was adopted as read, carrying with it endorsement of the report of the Treasurer of the *Women's Missionary Magazine.*

Reports made by various committees appointed by the Convention President were summarized as follows and actions of the Convention regarding them were confirmed:

The Place Committee recommended acceptance of an invitation from First Ohio Presbyterial to hold the 1950 Convention in Oxford, Ohio. Voted unanimously: That the invitation of First Ohio Presbyterial to meet on the campus of Miami University be accepted, and a note of appreciation be sent.

The Credential Committee reported a registration of 225 voters at the Convention.

The Nominating Committee submitted a slate of candidates for the offices to be filled. No further nominations were made from the floor.

A large committee, many of whose members were chosen because of their previous experience as Convention officers or committee chairmen, submitted two recommendations regarding the Convention instructions which they had been appointed to review (Pages 653-4). Voted: That this report be adopted.

The Memorials Committee reported that it had received no memorials.

The Recommendations Committee submitted six recommendations, the fourth of which had been offered by the Board of Directors (Page 655). Voted: That this report be adopted as a whole.

The Tellers reported the results of the election at the Convention as follows:

CONVENTION OFFICERS:

President—Mrs. Harry Orr, Arkansas Valley Presbyterial.

First Vice President—Mrs. H. H. McConnell, New York Presbyterial.

Second Vice President — Mrs. Paul Mendenhall, First Ohio Presbyterial.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton, Mrs. H. Ray Shear, Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Miss Edith L. McBane, Mrs. Walter H. Holt.

MAGAZINE STAFF:

Editor—Mrs. E. D. McKune.

Treasurer—Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold.

The committee to audit the Convention minutes reported that they are correct.

Following two items of business were introduced and actions of the Convention concerning them were confirmed:

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton presented a series of resolutions recommended by the Board of Directors to the Convention for adoption (Pages 662-663). Voted: That these resolutions be adopted.

Voted: That we authorize the cost of the annual Statistical Report to be raised from fifty cents to one dollar.

The corporation minutes were read and approved. The meeting adjourned with prayer by Dr. Harry S. Hutchison of Tanta, Egypt.

Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen,
President

Edith L. McBane,
Recording Secretary

HUMAN INTEREST ITEMS IN WORDS AND PICTURES

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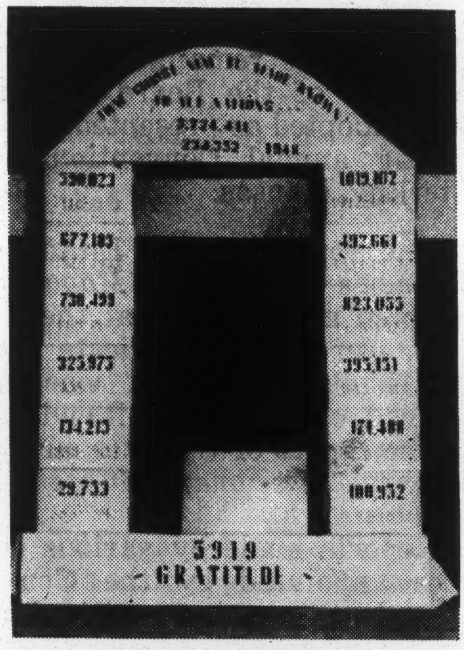
The Thank Offering Pageant, "The Arch of Gratitude," written by Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb for the Saturday night program, may be secured from the Literature Department, 10¢. These pictures may be helpful to those building the arch and staging the pageant.

This pageant depicts the Thank Offering gifts of the United Presbyterian Church through sixty-one years. Presbyterial delegates presented the first Thank Offering at the Washington, Pa., Convention in 1888.



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The Thank Offering Pageant, "The Arch of Gratitude"

REPORT OF

Recording Secretary

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

The Women's General Missionary Society prosecutes its endeavors along many lines at once. Concurrently with carrying on evangelistic, medical, educational, and organizational work in this country and five others as recorded in the following pages, it cooperates with the other boards of the Church and with a number of interdenominational groups.

The most extensive cooperative undertaking of the past year was the Foreign Missions Advance, an interdenominational enterprise, in which the Board of Foreign Missions and the W.G.M.S. participated equally. This program, initiated by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, included both interdenominational and denominational meetings in many large cities of the nation. The Board of Foreign Missions and the W.G.M.S. sent out simultaneously three teams of missionaries and Board members who presented to United Presbyterian constituents the work of both Boards. Representatives of the W.G.M.S. were the Misses Marguerite M. McClellan, North Sudan, M. Lois Boyd, Pakistan, Ray Huffman, R.N., South Sudan, Mrs. Fulton, Mrs. Shear and Mrs. McBride. Literature relating to the Advance was also distributed throughout the Church by the two Boards jointly.

The W.G.M.S. shared in other cooperative projects which serve the denomination. For example, last year we granted parsonage loans to four mission churches established under the Board of American Missions. Through the Town and Country Church Committee we aided ten rural churches to remodel and repair their parsonages. Our financial support helped the Caravan program and the Department of Audio-Visual Education, both under the Board of Christian Education. Also we make an annual contribution of $2000 to the Department of Christian Education of Pittsburgh-Xenia Theological Seminary which has just graduated its first class of four young women, two of whom plan to enter missionary service.

Miss Edith L. McBane
Recording Secretary

Scholarships of $200 in each of our Church colleges were given to the following students: Martha Joan Bovard, Monmouth; William Ralph Harvey, Muskingum; Rebecca Ann Gibson, Sterling; Lois Mae Herron, Tarkio; and Flora Zoe Van Dyke, Westminster. All of these young people have dedicated their lives to Christian service.

In the field of interdenominational cooperation, we sent delegates to meetings of the Foreign Missions

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REPORT OF

Women's Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

It is always interesting to scan the reports that come to me from Presbyterials for they tell of "something accomplished, something done." There are societies that say, "We don't bother with that efficiency stuff," but we praise God that such societies are very much in the minority. Statistics never tell the whole story, but they do give an indication of a society's interest in an approved plan for the work assigned to it as an integral part of the W.G.M.S. It is a matter of regret that such a small proportion of the women of our United Presbyterian Church accept the responsibility which has been assigned to them by the General Assembly. The evangelization of the world should challenge every Christian.

Statistics for the Women's Department: This year we report 7 new societies: Knox Women's Association of Des Moines; Boston's Mary Williams Society (Westmoreland); Cedar Creek, College Hill Women's Service Club of Dayton, and Trinity (First Ohio); Creston Hills (Oklahoma); Memorial Park Community (Allegheny). In addition, we have 10 transfers of Young Women's Societies which we welcome to our fellowship and additional responsibilities. They include Allegheny's Emsworth Mission Guild; Eleanor Creswell Society of Oakland Avenue and Elizabeth Weir Society which merged with the Women's Society of Littlefield Blvd., in Detroit Presbyterial; Houston's Ora Haft Society of Chartiers; Amity Susie Young Circle of Cedar Rapids; Sparta's Lois Boyd Circle (a 100% society) of Southern Illinois; the Maria Blair Society of Princeton (Indiana); Manhattan's A. M. Reed Society (Kansas City); King's Daughters of Third Pittsburgh (Monongahela); Lillian McConnell Society of Turtle Creek (Westmoreland) merged with the Women's Society and the combined group will be known as the Lillian McConnell Society.

Our eighteen 100% efficiency societies include Allegheny Eighth, Hutchinson First, Sterling's Janet Nesbit, Cutler, Sparta, Sparta Lois Boyd, First Los Angeles Women's Council, Brookline Tuesday Evening, Coraopolis, Mt. Lebanon Evening, Oakmont, Greentree Wallace Memorial Women's Christian Service Federation, Washington's River Road, Wilmington's Calvary Christian Service Guild, Spokane's Trinity, Calcutta and Margery K. White of Cleveland Ave., West Allis.

Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison
Secretary of Women's Department

Others having efficiency of 95%, or over, are Evans City, Springdale, Highland New Castle's Baird Society, Ebenezer, Meridian's Margaret I.

Dugan Society, First Akron's Dora B. Whitely, Goodyear Heights Akron's Jane Smith, Detroit's Calvin and Littlefield Blvd., King Hill, St. Louis Gibson Heights, Morea, Garnett Evening Society, Topeka, Riverside, Santa Ana's Daisy Russell Society, Canton's Reedurban Daugherty Society, Second Wilkinsburg Guild, Lincoln, Middletown (Ohio), Drexel Hill, Seattle's Green Lake A.C.W., and Morgan Hill.

The average efficiency for Women's Societies is 68%. The presbyterial whose senior societies rated highest is Spokane with 87%. Idaho has 83%, Wisconsin 82%, Detroit 81%, and Los Angeles 80%. We count 26,297 members in Women's Societies in America, 814 in India. We have no reports from Egypt or Sudan. Contributions increased.

Presbyterial Statistics: These are compiled from Women's, Young Women's, and Junior Societies. Two Presbyterials tied for first place, Idaho and Spokane. Each has 84% efficiency. Nearest contenders are Arkansas Valley with 80% and three which rate 78% each—Butler, Cleveland, and Steubenville. Congratulations to all of them, and to each presbyterial which did its best.

Honors for increase in membership are in two classes. Class A has 700 members or more; Class B has less than 700 members. The Class A banner is awarded to Caledonia which had a gain of 306, or 23%. Class B banner is awarded to Tennessee which had a gain of 133, or 28%. Second in this class is Big Spring with a gain of 76, or 24%. Second in Class A is First Ohio with a gain of 151, or 13%. Total membership in America is 50,436 and, in India, 1948.

Honor Roll: The Honor Roll includes those Presbyterials which have either a Women's or a Young Women's Society in each organized congregation in the presbytery, and have all their reports in on time. The following qualify for the Honor Roll: Argyle, Big Spring, Cleveland, Colorado, Detroit, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas City, Kiskiminetas, Los Angeles, Mercer, Monmouth, Nebraska, Ohio Northwestern, San Francisco, Spokane, Uncompahgre, Wisconsin, and Xenia.

There are 589 members on the roll of the Extension Department. 677 boxes and barrels were reported sent to mission stations.

Once again I want to express my appreciation for the fine group of secretaries who have been faithful in the preparation of their reports. It has been a joy to be associated with them in this work.

Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison,
Women's Secretary

COMPARATIVE GENERAL STATISTICAL STATEMENT

For the Year Ending March 31, 1949

AMERICA

	1948	1949
Number Presbyteries	51	51
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	51	51
Number Women's Missionary Societies	877	880
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	26,341	26,297
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	591	590
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	10,598	10,556
Number Junior Missionary Societies and LLB	574	589
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	13,012	13,583
Total Number Societies	2,042	2,059
Total Number Members	49,951	50,436

INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Number Presbyteries	5	5
Number Presbyterial Missionary Societies	5	5
Number Women's Missionary Societies	29	33
Number Members Women's Missionary Societies	631	814
Number Young Women's Missionary Societies	9	9
Number Members Young Women's Missionary Societies	355	333
Number Junior Missionary Societies	23	24
Number Members Junior Missionary Societies	657	801
Total Number Societies	61	66
Total Number Members	1,643	1,948

(No reports received from Egypt and the Sudan.)

REPORT OF RECORDING SECRETARY

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Conference, Home Missions Council, and Missionary Education Movement and made appropriations to these and other agencies.

The Board of Directors met in twenty-two regular and seven special meetings during the past year. Nearly three hundred addresses were given by Board members, including those made on the Foreign Missions Advance tours. Besides the articles prepared monthly for our own two magazines, current news items were furnished regularly to the *United Presbyterian.*

Mrs. W. J. Harper McKnight, wife of the new pastor of the Brookline Boulevard church in Pittsburgh, was recently elected to the Board to fill a term which expires in 1950. She is well-known for her outstanding work with mission study groups. Mrs. McKnight has accepted the position of Temperance and Reform Secretary in which she succeeds Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison who has served as Acting Secretary for more than two years. Mrs. Hutchison will now devote her efforts to her regular work as Women's Secretary.

Edith L. McBane,
Recording Secretary

A GOOD THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

On July 4, 1778, a procession honored the adoption of the Constitution. A Contemporary wrote:

"The Clergy formed a very agreeable part of the procession. They manifested by their attendance, their sense of the connection between religion and good government. They amounted to seventeen in number. Four and five of them marched arm in arm with each other, to exemplify the Union. Pains were taken to connect ministers of the most dissimilar religious principles together, thereby to show the influence of a free government in promoting Christian charity. The Rabbi of the Jews, locked in the arms of two ministers of the gospel, was a most delightful sight. There could not have been a more happy emblem contrived, of that section of the new constitution, which opens all its powers and offices alike, not only to every sect of Christians, but to worthy men of every religion."

REPORT OF

Young Women's Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

We receive a new understanding of current work if a review of a few years before be considered. The average from these, say a five-year period, compared with the results of the new year will be at least interesting, perhaps stimulating. Such a comparison is being presented.

For some figures: In the five years, 1944-1948, the number of circles and young women's societies maintained averaged about 596 with a membership of approximately 10,752. In this same period new organizations averaged 40 a year. These gains diminished when societies went forward into the Women's Department as mergers or transfers — all very logical. In the five-year period an average of ten societies a year and nearly 200 members changed rolls. At the same time the average of disbanding societies, circles and young women's, was 27 a year with a sizeable number of members.

Just a word about the finances: The average amount contributed as shown by society reports was $35,416.91 to regular work; $46,811.18 to the Thank Offering.

Now let us look at the present to note the increases or decreases that obtain. The number of societies reported this year is 590 with a membership of 10,556. New societies reported—38. At the same time there were 13 societies that merged with or transferred to the senior division taking with them about 300 members. Of course this was the right thing to do, people must move on. But 14 societies disbanded, robbing the roll of nearly 200 members. We try to discourage disbanding altogether. Rather would we encourage societies that feel they cannot carry on longer to have the remaining members join with an existing society in the congregation. *Disbanding* suggests *death.* *Merging and transferring* mean *continuing life.*

Presbyterials which organized new societies this year are as follows, the names of the societies having appeared in the *Magazine* some time during the year:

One each in Allegheny, Boston, Butler, College Springs, Conemaugh, Idaho, Detroit, Kansas City, Lake, Monmouth, New York, Philadelphia and Xenia; two each in Colorado, Delaware, Southern Illinois and Westmoreland; three each in Chartiers, Cleveland and Monongahela; four each in Los Angeles and Tennessee.

Miss Ida B. Little
Secretary Young Women's Department

THE STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

This year the average rating exceeds the average for the five-year period by five points! It is 63 this year as against the average of 58 in the five preceding years.

A list of those societies rating from 90 to 100 follows:

90—Avalon Young Women, New Brighton Nellie Harris, Mahoning Dorcas, Unity Ruth Fleming, Meridian Barbara McCaslin, 1st Akron Mary Ewing, 2nd Youngstown Evening Y.W., South Youngstown Helen Walker, Akron North Hill Margaret Anderson, Barberton Dora Mason, Cuyahoga Falls Virginia Brown, Bovina Center McClellan Missionary Society, Drayton Plains Anderson, Drayton Plains T.A.C., King Hill T.A., Marissa Evelyn Cathcart, Sparta Torch Bearers, Eunoia-Fidelis, 2nd Buffalo Mission Guild, Claysville Mary Rogers, E. Canonsburg K.D., 1st Canton Mission Guild, Reedurban Y.W., Sharon Y.W., 2nd Wilkinsburg Auxiliary, Mount Perry Mary Lois, Queen Anne Martha Walker, Connellsville Anna Duncan, Parnassus Bethel, Martins Ferry Anna Kerr Circle.

92—Nampa Ethel Colvin, Beverly Heights Girls' Circle, Mt. Lebanon McCown Circle, Union Alice Acheson, Pittsburg, Kans. Vivian Trimble, Ardara E. Nelle Dodds.

93—Liberty Judy Geiger, 2nd Xenia Isabelle Walker.

94—Akron Oak Hill Millie Kelso.

95—1st Sewickley Y.W., Wichita Lyda McClure, Goldfield Alta French, Barberton Mary Withrow, Riverside Y.W., 1st Mansfield Guild, Clinton Y.W., Wallace Memorial Helen Hart, San Francisco Jeannette Alter, Wallace Memorial Hawthorne, Woodland Ruth Nichols.

97—Hutchinson Aleta Matthews, Drayton Plains Pearl Sutton, Cutler Girls' Circle.

100—Kenmore Girls' Mission C., Arkansas City Ruth Mission, Grove City Non Nobis Guild, 3rd Washington Alice Grimes, Struthers Y.W., Pleasant Grove Ann Montgomery, 1st Akron Clara Keach, 1st Wilkinsburg Florence Jones, Brookline Blvd. Y.W., Boulevard Bertha Kilgus.

EFFICIENCY BANNER AWARDS

The "blue pennants" make a journey every year to and from the Convention, sometimes returning to their recent homes or finding new ones. The former prevails this year.

Class A banner goes back to Cleveland—80 per cent. Class B banner returns to Idaho with 86 per cent, two points higher than last year. Those presbyterials in Class B rating 70 or more in percentage are: Arkansas Valley—84, Mansfield—70, Kiskiminetas—72, Spokane—75, exclusive of Idaho. In Class A, Beaver Valley and Mercer—70 each, Caledonia—71, Philadelphia — 73, Southern Illinois and Steubenville—74 each, Butler—77 and Muskingum—78, and of course Cleveland with its 80 per cent record.

YOUNG WOMEN'S SPECIAL FUND

According to the records on the report blanks, societies did not reach the new goal proposed a year ago—$9,000. In order to meet our obligations, it is necessary for every society to do its share. Since the goal was raised the estimates from India asked that Pasrur G.B.S. receive a $6,000 grant because of the increased cost of living. Not even the new goal could quite reach this and still take care of our four Special workers, Miss Mary Coie, North Sudan; Mrs. A. C. Peoples, Camden, Alabama; Mrs. Anna Howard, Frenchburg; Miss Ruth E. Findley, California. Let us consider carefully and determine that *our society* will not stand in the way of this accomplishment. If you are a *Magazine* reader, you can keep informed on the Special!

Study the following table of comparisons. How is your society helping to make a good record?

	1948	1949
No. of societies	591	590
No. of members	10,598	10,556
Members under 20	2,322	2,092
Members over 20	7,105	6,025
Eligible for membership	2,215	2,046
Magazine readers	4,500	4,043

Using Reading Course	1,324	1,306
Possessing Prayer Cycles	4,882	4,731
Societies using Prayer Cycle	371	336
Average attendance at meetings	6,641	5,696
Percentage of attendance	63	54
Societies reporting on Efficiency	511	521
Average per cent	61	63

SOCIETIES SUPPORTING FINANCIALLY

	1948	1949
Seven Departments	484	507
Foreign Salaries	292	285
Y.W. Special	514	458
Expense Accounts	330	478
Thank Offering	504	533

DISBURSEMENTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Seven Departments	$18,990	$19,242
Foreign Salaries	8,560	8,154
Foreign and Home Specials	—o—	1,765
Young Women's Special	7,616.45	7,636
Expense Funds	2,713.63	2,768.15
Total	37,880.08	39,565.15
Thank Offering—1948	49,234.67	47,219.32
Grand Total	$87,114.75	$86,784.47

Average per member—$8.26

FOREIGN FIELDS

No report from Egypt at this date—April 28. Reported last year—11 societies with 1,314 members.

India reported as follows: 9 societies in five presbyterials. Members, 333. Offerings, $12.00; Thank Offering, $73.25; Grand total, $85.25.

The North Sudan has some work among its young women, particularly among the native teachers and girls who have been or are in touch with Khartoum North G.B.S., but no report received to date.

Ida B. Little,
Young Women's Secretary

EVERYMAID

King's Daughter!
Wouldst thou be all fair,
Without—within—
Peerless and beautiful
A very Queen?

Know then:
Not as men build unto the Silent One—
With clang and clamour,
Traffic of rude voices,
Clink of steel on stone,
And din of hammer—
Not so the temple of thy grace is reared.
But——in the inmost shrine
Must thou begin,
And build with care
A Holy Place,
A Place unseen,
Each stone a prayer,
Then having built,
Thy shrine sweep bare
Of self and sin,
And all that might demand;
And, with endeavor,
Watching ever, praying ever,
Keep it fragrant—sweet and clean:
So, by God's grace, it be a fit place—
His Christ shall enter and shall dwell therein,
Not as in earthly fane—where chase
Of steel on stone may strive to win
Some outward grace—
Thy temple face is chiselled from within.

—*John Oxenham*

REPORT OF

The Treasurer

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

We submit this the Sixty-sixth annual report of the Treasurer with a heart full of gratitude to Him who has guided us in "all our ways," and to those who have contributed so generously of their means and time that this work might prosper.

High lights of The Women's General Missionary Society's financial operations in 1948-49, and of its current situation are presented in the following brief review. This review represents the story of what YOU have done.

The annual report for the year covering contributions from Presbyterials, etc., as well as the audited statement of the Treasurer, is found on Pages 686 and 687.

The total receipts from all sources amounted to $850,071.60. Current receipts for the year, applicable to current operating budget, amounted to $504,409.07. Our total net increase for current work is approximately $29,000.00.

The contributions from the fifty-one (51) Presbyterials, exclusive of the Thank Offering, was $190,351.00. This is an increase over last year of $8,369.62.

Thirty-four (34) Presbyterials had an increase over the previous year as follows:

Allegheny, Arkansas Valley, Beaver Valley, Big Spring, Butler, Caledonia, Chartiers, Colorado, Conemaugh, Delaware, Des Moines, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas City, Keokuk, Los Angeles, Mansfield, Mercer, Monmouth, Monongahela, Muskingum, Nebraska, New York, Ohio Northwestern, Oklahoma, Oregon, Philadelphia, Puget Sound, Rock Island, Steubenville, Tennessee, Uncompahgre, Wheeling, Wisconsin.

We find, however, that seventeen (17) Presbyterials having an increase last year, show a decrease this year.

We again submit for your information and interest the division of the Missionary Dollar in connection with Presbyterial giving, as follows:

Foreign Missions, including Foreign, General, Salaries, and Specials	$0.62
Home Missions, same basis	.14
Negro Missions, same basis	.10
Indian Missions, same basis	.06
Parsonage	.03
Benevolence	.03
Temperance and Reform	.02
	$1.00

An additional $25,949.62 was received from individuals, congregations and Sabbath Schools. The increase in contributions from individuals amounted to $15,547.24 for which we are most grateful.

The 1948 Thank Offering, amounting to $234,591.27, was distributed prior to April 15, 1949 to the different departments of work, as shown on Page 706. The amounts distributed appear in this year's report as a credit transfer to these funds.

The amount received from Legacies was $9,943.75. (See detailed report on Page 682.

The amount received from Lapsed Annuities is approximately four times the amount received during the previous year, i.e., $32,052.76. (See Page 683.)

Total invested funds as of April 15, 1949 amounted to $1,511,085.24, consisting of Parsonage Loans, Bonds, Preferred Stocks, and First Mortgages on homes.

Net income from investments amounted to $54,331.13. A portion of this income was distributed to the various accounts in accordance with the respective wishes of the creators of the funds. Income from investments in excess of the amount distributed to specifically designated funds, amounting to $28,882.68, plus a net gain on sale of securities of $2,189.15, a total of $31,071.83, was added to our Undistributed Income Reserve Fund.

Endowments and Memorials were increased during the year under review by $42,118.95, as follows:

Rosa E. Mansfield Fund (additional)	$ 75.00
Jennie E. Kirkpatrick Memorial Fund	5,493.95
(This fund was established by the Young Women's Missionary Society of the Sixth United Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh to be known as the "Jennie E. Kirkpatrick Memorial Fund"; annual income to be used for Bible Women's Work in any one of our foreign fields.)	
By action of the Board of Directors a Junior Missionary Magazine Endowment Fund was established this past year, by transferring $25,000.00 out of the Junior Life Membership Fund, plus the total Junior Life Memberships received during the Golden Anniversary year, amounting to $11,550.00, making the present amount of the Endowment	$36,550.00

We also wish to record the "Betsy Fleming Trust Fund," amounting to $1,355.00. This money came to us from the "Old Broadway Church," which united with the Second Church of Boston in 1931, at which time this amount was set aside for investment, the income to go toward the salary of Miss Betsy Fleming, missionary to India, until she retires, and then toward the salary of her successor. We are grateful for their confidence.

Pension Fund has been increased by $116,722.80, making total $354,485.79. Retired missionaries receiving pension payments number twenty-three (23): eighteen (18) from the Foreign Department, four (4) from the Home Department, and one (1) from the Negro Department. Ministerial pensions covering the ministers whose salaries are paid by us in the Home and American Indian Fields, are underwritten from this fund also.

Total Pension Payments		$13,737.77
Less: Designated Legacies applicable to this expense	$1,127.68	
Yield distribution	8,881.93	10,009.61
Net resultant expense		$ 3,728.16

EXPENDITURES: The Treasurer's Statement on Pages 686, 687. July-August *Magazine* shows disbursements of the different funds. These are self-explanatory, but we wish to make the following comments for your information and study. The total disbursements for the year amounted to $885,810.46.

First — Foreign Missions: In addition to disbursements for Foreign Missions, including Foreign Salaries and Specials, amounting to $230,280.31, we disbursed from funds to our credit on the fields, approximately $70,000.00, making the total expenditures for Foreign Missions alone over $300,000.00. This fact should be taken into account when considering the balance shown in the Treasurer's statement to the credit of Foreign Missions General; at least, $50,000.00 of this amount is owed to the fields.

Second: Foreign Salaries: You will also note a considerable balance in this account; this cannot be used except for the salaries of missionaries so designated.

Third: In addition to receipts from WGMS Fund, amounting to $3,737.36, plus interest on savings accounts of $2,208.24, a total of $5,945.60, approximately $20,000.00 was required by the Financial Secretary for Administrative Expenses.

Fourth: We wish to comment also on expenditures from the designated Thank Offering Fund, namely, Senior Life Memberships. From this fund during the past year approximately $96,000.00 was disbursed for capital expenditures of a non-recurring nature at home and abroad; for co-operative work of the denomination $5,000.00; for emergency salary bonus to our foreign missionaries on the field $10,590.00; a grand total of approximately $11,500.00 in addition to the Operating Fund disbursements.

Fifth: In order to properly appraise expenditures, we wish to point out that approximately $328,000.00 was disbursed from funds, other than current operating accounts, for investments, including Parsonage loans and gifts.

Finally, please remember the cash balance shown in Current Operating accounts include distribution of the 1948 Thank Offering, the 1949 Thank Offering already sent in, and uninvested Parsonage Loan Fund.

Christianity's Unfinished Task is to give the Gospel of Christ to the world. Surely no assignment can be nearer to the hearts of our women of the United Presbyterian Church.

Let us move into the work of the new year resolved to lift the level of our entire membership to a more intelligent understanding of stewardship. Let us all together put our hands to the plow and by not looking back demonstrate that we are fit for the Kingdom of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Treasurer

REPORT OF

Testamentary and Annuity Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

LEGACIES

James Edward Memorial Fund (income)	$1,127.68	
Mrs. Dessie K. Mellott, McConnellsburg, Pa.	200.00	
Mabel C. Miller, Clarinda, Iowa	632.48	
Jane McCornack Trust Fund (income)	75.00	
Elizabeth B. McDonald, Steubenville, Ohio	2,341.22	
Isabel Thompson, Grove City, Pa.	878.27	
W. A. Ralston, Red Oak, Iowa	4,689.10	
	9,943.75	
Less check to Board of Foreign Missions, applicable to Estate of Elizabeth B. McDonald	1,000.00	$8,943.75

The designated money was distributed as the donors wished, and the undesignated at the option of the Board of Directors as follows:

Foreign Missions	$ 539.13	
Home Missions	196.38	
Negro Missions	246.38	
Indian Missions	171.38	
Pension Income	1,127.68	
Pension Principal Fund	6,662.80	$8,943.75

ANNUITIES

It is a well-known fact that annuitants are among the longest lived people in the world. Surely we are not wrong in suggesting the reason—a strong feeling of security and the fact that financial worries have been reduced to a minimum. At the same time the annuitant is to some extent the executor of his or her own will. Finally, aside from these more or less personal considerations, there remains for the annuitant the very real joy and satisfaction of having devoted to the work of the Kingdom a part of the worldly goods accumulated.

We record in loving memory the names of those whose Annuity Agreements have lapsed, with their designations:

Mrs. Melva Anderson, New Bedford, Pa., lapsed January 3, 1949, designated for direct evangelization work in foreign fields		$ 250.00
Margaret A. Bell, Atlantic, Iowa, lapsed February 12, 1949, designated for work in Egypt		4,202.76
Mrs. Mary K. Deibler, Greensboro, Vermont, lapsed July 3, 1948, designated for Foreign Missions		2,000.00
Mrs. Margaret E. Duff, Sterling Kansas, lapsed February 21, 1948, designated:		
Foreign Missions	$1,300.00	
Home Missions	700.00	
Negro Missions	500.00	2,500.00
Horace N. Freeman, Sterling, Kansas, lapsed November 5, 1947, designated "Where most needed." (This has been placed in Negro Missions.)		1,500.00
Margaret Milligan, Sterling, Kansas, lapsed September 29, 1948, designated for foreign missionary salary. (This has been placed in the Foreign Salary Account.)		400.00
Mrs. Anna M. McLain, Claysville, Pa., lapsed October 16, 1948 designated "Wherever most needed." (This has been designated:)		
Pension Fund Principal	$10,000.00	
Foreign Salaries	3,000.00	
Home Missions	3,000.00	
Negro Missions	3,000.00	
Indian Missions	1,000.00	20,000.00
Mrs. Mary M. Spencer, Rushville, Indiana, lapsed July 22, 1948, designated "For work in Africa, where most needed"		1,000.00
Nellie L. Tripp, Sioux City, Iowa, lapsed November 17, 1948, designated, "Where most needed." (This has been placed in the Contingent Fund.)		200.00

In connection with the report of *Annuity Agreements*, we wish to call attention to the following action taken by the Board of Directors, April 5, 1949:

"Beginning April 1, 1949, Annuity Agreements will be written on the following basis: 'That interest be paid to the annuitant semi-annually from the first day of the month following receipt of gift until death, and at that time the residuary amount of principal be transferred to the department of work designated by the annuitant or the Board of Directors'."

Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Secretary

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

CONGREGATIONS, SOCIETIES, SABBATH SCHOOLS, AND INDIVIDUALS

CONGREGATIONS

Albany, Ore.	$ 700.00
Atlantic, Iowa	69.23
Calvin U.P., Detroit, Mich.	7.00
Center Ridge, Red Oak, Iowa	600.00
Emsworth, Pa.	25.00
First, Atkinson, Nebr.	14.00
First Church, Crafton, Pa.	100.00
First, Toledo, Ohio	50.00
Hamilton, Ohio	35.00
Knoxville, Ohio	100.00
McCown Memorial Committee, Mt. Lebanon U.P.	300.00
St. Clairsvillle, Ohio	67.30
Simnasho, Ore.	55.56
Valley Community, Portland, Ore.	3.00
Warm Spring, Ore.	220.50
Washtucna Community, Washtucna, Wash.	250.00
Westminster, Des Moines, Iowa	791.06
Westminster, Los Angeles, Calif.	50.00
Wilkinsburg First, Pittsburgh, Pa.	200.00
	$ 3,637.65

SOCIETIES

Pearl Sutton W.M.S., Drayton Plains, Mich.	$ 76.81
Westtown School, Student Body, Westtown, Pa.	40.00
Bennett M. S., Atkinson, Nebr.	100.00
Brookline Blvd., Young Adult Forum, Pittsburgh, Pa.	20.00
Prayer Meetitng Committee of Philadelphia Presbyterial	50.00
East Canonsburg, Pa., Mission	7.00
Home Council, American College for Girls of Cairo, Egypt	20.00
Bethel A W.M.S., Patton Township, Pa.	5.00
Celia J. Smith M. S., Ligonier, Pa.	5.00
Helen R. Brownlee, Second, Washington, Pa., Y.W. Society	10.00
Calvin M. S., Detroit, Mich.	9.00
First Toledo, Ohio W.M.S.	15.00
Sheakleyville, Pa., Jr. M. S.	5.00
Young Peoples M. S., 2nd-5th Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.	65.00
Westminster College Y.W.C.A., New Wilmington, Pa.	50.00
Bovina Center, N.Y., U.P. Church Forum Society	25.00
Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, Calvin Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa.	18.20
W.M.S., Calvin, Detroit, Mich.	10.00
M.W.S., First, Sewickley, Pa.	63.13
United Presbyterian Prayer Group, Cleveland, Ohio	10.00
Jane C. Smith M. S., Goodyear Heights U.P.	50.00
Wallace Baird M. S., West Allis, Wisc.	10.00
Margaret Bell Circle, Manhattan, Kans.	13.28
W.M.S., Greeley, Colorado	10.00
Margaret French M. S., First, Butler, Pa.	20.00
East Craftsbury, Vt., Jr. M. S.	4.00
Pioneer Society, Mt. Lebanon U.P., Pittsburgh, Pa.	50.00
	$ 761.42

SABBATH SCHOOLS

Ladies' Bible Class, Adamsville, Pa.	$ 55.30
Golden Rule Bible Class, New Concord, Ohio	75.00
First Church, Portland, Ore.	60.00
Junior and Primary Depts., Greenville, Pa.	47.00
Bible School, First Church, Toledo, Ohio	49.00
Avalon, Pa.	141.00
Calvin, Detroit, Mich.	100.00
Willing Workers, New Concord, Ohio	75.00
Daily Vacation Bible School, Military Ave., Detroit, Mich.	45.00
Gleaners Class, Jamestown, Ohio	72.00
Daily V.B.S., Caledonia Vevay, Ind.	35.00
Warm Springs, Ore.	6.12
Vacation Bible School, Indianola, Iowa	9.82
Drexel Hill, Pa.	400.00
Isabel McGilvary Simpson Bible Class, Donora, Pa.	100.00
Friendly Fellowship Bible Class, West Allis, Wisc.	25.00
Stewart Memorial, San Francisco, Calif.	52.00
Rebecca Bible Class, Ligonier, Pa.	20.00
Win Won Class, Calcutta Church, East Liverpool, Ohio	20.00
Mount Prospect, Thomas, Pa.	25.00
Golden Rule Class and W.M.S., Portland, Ore.	17.00
First Church, Jersey City, N.J.	100.00
Live Wire Bible Class, Mt. Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa.	50.00
Westminster, Des Moines, Iowa	20.57
Women's Bible Class, Sewickley, Pa.	100.00
Mendenhall Bible Class, Donora, Pa.	65.00
Young Peoples Class, First, New Castle, Pa.	10.00
Primary and Nursery Depts., Canonsburg, Pa.	60.00
Junior Dept. Indianola, Iowa	3.90
Carpenter, First, New Castle, Pa.	15.00
	$ 1,853.71

INDIVIDUALS

Margaret Cummins, Indiana, Pa.	$ 60.00
Carol Moorhead, Indiana, Pa.	55.00
Joseph S. Maxwell, M.D., Fairmont, W. Va.	1,100.00
Sallie E. Dickey, Uhrichsville, Ohio	60.00
Evelyn Acheson, Albany, Ore.	210.00
Elizabeth Lowry, Indiana, Pa.	1.00
Mrs. C. R. Wagner, Cedarville, Ohio	50.00
Margaret W. Hoburg, Cheswick, Pa.	85.00
Vida Graham, Pathankot, India	60.00
Fred C. McMillan, Kansas City, Mo.	300.00
Mrs. Mary Dean, Zanesville, Ohio	10.00
Miss Ella S. Junk, Uniontown, Pa.	500.00
Mrs. H. H. McConnell, New York, N.Y.	20.00
R. W. Dinsmore, New Wilmington, Pa.	50.00
Jennie H. Poole, Philadelphia, Pa.	360.00
Mrs. R. T. Russell, Sandwich, Ill.	400.00
Rose Shereda, Bennett, Wisc.	3.45
Jennie E. McFadden, Pasadena, Calif.	60.00
Mrs. Jas. C. Fleming, Indiana, Pa.	15.00
Evelyn Cathcart, Sialkot, Pakistan	15.00

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, TRANSFERS, AND BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

	BALANCES April 16, 1948		CASH		TRANSFERS		BALANCES April 15, 1949	
	DR.	CR.	Receipts CR.	Disbursements DR.	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.
Anuak Tribal Fund			240.00			200.00		440.00*
Annuity Income and Expense				17,907.09	39.97	17,947.06		
Benevolence		9,731.48	5,731.00	6,915.37	50.00	1,200.00		9,697.11
Contingent Fund			5,945.60	24,266.03		18,320.43		
Duke Endowment			6,407.00	3,704.00	216.00			2,487.00
Ethiopia Missions		4,851.89		1,624.75	3,000.00	425.00		652.14
Foreign Missions								
General		193,395.48	39,825.41	117,825.72	21,709.90	185,120.81		278,806.08
Salaries		41,597.39	79,214.26	96,667.34	1,099.64	21,316.50		44,361.17
Special		5,144.05	15,931.62	11,219.29	169.59	167.59		9,854.38
Girls' Boarding Schools								
Carrie M. Buchanan Memorial		534.00		534.00		522.00		522.00
John and Jane Denham Memorial		659.04			659.04	659.04		659.04
Mary Clokey Porter School		277.50		277.50		277.50		277.50
Pasrur		1,025.45			1,025.45	6.146.50		6,146.50
Hospitals								
Memorial Hospital, Sialkot		7,408.83		985.24	3,001.89	824.00		4,245.70
Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum		278.50			278.50	268.50		268.50
Mary B. Reid Hospital, Sargodha		9.00			9.00	9.00		9.00
Martha J. McKeown Hospital, Tanta		2,132.51		313.43		577.50		2,396.58
George Memorial Hospital, Addis Ababa		8,785.38				147.00		8,932.38
White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur		1,105.59	8.59			36.00		1,150.18
Home Missions General		86,179.68	50,844.07	84,391.08		32,543.51		85,176.18
Isaiah 41:6		8,476.64	2,537.20	3,241.11	133.52	183.52		7,822.73
Indian Missions		32,372.30	10,464.76	10,969.39		4,952.68		36,820.35
Junior Special			7,414.05		7,414.05			
Junior Exhibit Fund		26.00	69.00	95.00				
Junior Missionary Magazine		30.00		30.00		405.00		405.00
Legacies			9,943.75		9,943.75			
Negro Missions		60,255.56	17,167.45	43,899.80		43,958.70		77,481.91
Parsonage Funds available for loans								

Invested in government bonds		30,000.00						30,000.00
Uninvested		27,777.95	5,506.00		34,058.03	902.41		128.33
Pension Income and Expense—Field				13,587.77	200.00	13,787.77		
Pension Expense—Office					233.13	233.13		
Registration Fees			202.00	202.00				
Sophia C. Johnson Estate(unsettled)		522.32			522.32			..........§
Special Endowment (for Contingent Fund)		200.00		200.00				
Temperance and Reform		12,408.19	5,394.00	4,230.40	700.00	7.00		12,878.79
Thank Offering—1948		941.62	233,872.08		234,591.27	277.62		
Thank Offering—1949			784.64					784.64
Visual Aid		124.75	246.78	452.89			81.36	
Women's Missionary Magazine		401.43		401.43		360.00		360.00
Withholding Tax			578.70	446.80				131.90
Young Women's Special			8,146.50		8,146.50			
TOTAL OPERATING ACCOUNTS		536,652.53	505,924.41	444,387.43	327,201.55	351,775.77	81.36	622,845.09
ANNUITY, ENDOWED, TEMPORARY, AND DESIGNATED FUNDS	2,081,191.98	1,544,539.45	344,147.19	441,423.03	1,482,834.78	1,493,999.42	2,117,260.71	1,494,496.98
	2,081,191.98	2,081,191.98	850,071.60	885,810.46	1,810,036.33	1,845,775.19	2,117,342.07	2,117,342.07

Cash balance, April 16, 1948	627,993.33
Receipts for year ended April 15, 1949	850,071.60
TOTAL	1,478,064.93
Disbursements for year ended April 15, 1949	885,810.46
CASH BALANCE, APRIL 15, 1949	592,254.47

ANNUITIES

Agreements outstanding, April 16, 1948	313,353.26
Agreements issued during year ended April 15, 1949	9,800.00
TOTAL	323,153.26
Agreements lapsed during year ended April 15, 1949	32,052.76
AGREEMENTS OUTSTANDING, APRIL 15, 1949	291,100.50

* Transferred from Annuity, Endowed, Temporary, and Designated Funds.

§ Transferred to Annuity, Endowed, Temporary, and Designated Funds.

Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Treasurer.

Report of the Contributions from Presbyterials, Congregations, Societies, Sabbath Schools and Individuals, April 16, 1948 to April 15, 1949

PRESBYTERIALS	Foreign General	Foreign Salaries	Foreign Specials	Home Missions	Indian Missions	Negro Missions	Parsonage	Junior Special	Young Women's Special	Benevolence	Contingent Fund	Temperance	Isaiah 41:6	Miscellaneous	TOTAL
Albany	50.00	324.00	157.00	51.60	30.00	33.00	28.00	20.00	....	30.00	16.00	35.00	26.00	....	800.60
Allegheny	2069.00	5481.00	111.00	1383.00	789.00	1587.00	428.00	727.00	564.00	452.00	196.50	163.00	189.25	5.00*	14144.75
Argyle	48.00	430.00	25.00	430.00	38.00	38.00	26.00	53.00	106.00	28.00	35.25	31.00	20.00	....	1308.25
Arkansas Valley	232.00	1750.00	834.62	251.00	104.00	167.00	60.00	250.00	61.00	64.00	60.30	74.00	18.50	....	3926.42
Beaver Valley	1661.00	2275.00	30.00	1202.00	425.00	658.00	273.00	239.00	378.00	281.00	177.00	268.00	105.90	....	7972.90
Big Spring	254.00	1.00	108.50	124.00	94.00	86.00	26.00	38.00	54.00	23.00	22.00	27.00	16.00	....	873.50
Boston	361.00	2000.00	154.00	362.00	134.00	154.00	89.00	70.00	201.00	99.00	73.50	96.00	63.90	....	3857.40
Butler	1022.00	1104.00	332.00	864.00	415.00	536.00	302.00	383.00	293.00	317.00	177.00	311.00	141.20	105.00†	6302.20
Caledonia	1053.00	1000.00	95.00	1426.08	197.00	332.00	90.00	161.00	247.00	107.00	160.46	125.00	42.89	....	5036.43
Cedar Rapids	333.00	1000.00	260.00	193.00	202.00	149.00	62.00	173.00	30.00	61.00	41.25	66.00	28.00	....	2598.25
Chartiers	266.00	2764.00	280.00	1559.00	375.00	451.00	197.00	222.00	407.00	211.00	142.15	225.00	89.00	....	7188.15
Chicago	471.00	1000.00	100.00	380.00	212.00	252.00	105.00	155.00	106.00	137.00	53.90	100.00	40.30	....	3112.20
Cleveland	1928.00	1000.00	163.00	1277.00	542.00	1427.95	309.00	417.00	634.00	324.00	187.90	321.00	132.45	....	8663.30
College Springs	82.00	1638.00	238.00	72.00	64.00	70.00	40.00	95.00	13.00	46.00	33.05	44.00	25.05	....	2460.10
Colorado	396.00	930.00	40.00	356.00	181.00	193.00	99.00	139.00	81.00	96.00	66.90	102.00	34.00	....	2713.90
Conemaugh	195.00	1000.00	200.00	285.00	140.00	152.00	105.00	90.00	161.00	108.00	75.08	114.00	61.00	....	2686.08
Delaware	217.00	1000.00	74.00	230.00	140.00	287.00	61.00	69.00	92.00	60.00	46.45	76.00	28.80	....	2381.25
Des Moines	247.00	1000.00	80.00	141.00	57.00	108.00	40.00	52.00	73.00	40.00	35.50	39.00	16.00	....	1928.50
Detroit	1359.00	960.00	68.00	687.00	304.00	617.00	130.00	75.00	177.00	133.00	102.35	103.00	47.00	....	4762.35
Idaho	132.00	1000.00	....	124.00	70.00	102.00	56.00	21.00	33.00	55.00	23.80	60.00	62.63	....	1739.43
Illinois Southern	195.00	1627.00	11.25	194.00	157.00	166.00	96.00	107.00	183.50	96.00	70.85	95.00	41.15	....	3039.75
Indiana	438.00	561.00	100.00	303.00	78.00	124.00	51.00	90.00	2.00	47.00	32.25	54.00	23.79	....	1904.04
Kansas City	250.00	1681.00	50.00	227.00	117.00	182.00	66.00	47.00	54.00	68.00	57.00	97.00	35.00	....	2931.00
Keokuk	113.00	914.00	50.00	161.00	82.00	86.00	64.00	43.00	43.00	64.00	29.15	75.00	25.21	....	1749.36
Kiskiminetas	115.00	211.00	50.00	130.00	87.00	85.00	60.00	104.00	103.00	59.00	26.50	70.00	25.00	....	1125.50
Lake	500.00	985.00	170.50	287.00	150.00	180.00	100.00	240.00	198.00	101.00	77.00	105.00	50.30	....	3143.80
Los Angeles	727.00	1000.00	167.00	624.00	307.00	335.00	228.00	236.00	256.00	225.00	95.50	201.00	54.75	....	4456.25
Mansfield	307.00	503.00	10.00	291.00	175.00	213.00	91.00	42.00	164.00	87.00	40.00	87.00	28.00	....	2038.00
Mercer	552.00	2072.00	50.00	374.00	286.00	296.00	148.00	211.00	192.00	147.00	69.00	232.00	73.00	....	4702.00
Monmouth	373.00	1252.00	....	285.00	193.00	206.00	104.00	85.00	125.00	105.00	57.50	118.00	31.87	....	2935.37
Monongahela	2408.00	10635.00	473.00	2949.00	723.00	2193.00	439.00	658.55	764.00	438.00	310.15	392.00	173.00	....	22555.70
Muskingum	233.21	1727.00	25.00	210.00	182.21	86.00	54.00	62.00	144.00	63.00	75.00	75.00	42.00	....	2978.42
Nebraska	251.50	1030.00	238.30	200.50	99.50	107.50	61.00	122.00	62.00	73.00	36.10	85.00	23.00	....	2389.40
New York	442.00	1475.00	....	340.00	135.00	151.00	82.00	82.00	78.00	82.00	91.45	72.00	60.00	....	3090.45
Ohio First	270.00	1391.00	....	375.00	151.00	172.00	91.00	142.00	26.00	86.00	61.35	82.00	39.36	....	2886.71
Ohio Northwestern	367.00	682.00	95.00	300.00	171.00	176.00	59.00	29.00	173.00	68.00	34.60	51.00	25.00	....	2230.60
Oklahoma	119.00	98.00	150.00	110.00	70.00	63.00	23.00	24.00	32.00	24.00	20.20	21.00	16.20	....	770.40
Oregon	127.00	970.00	281.65	106.00	78.00	82.00	63.00	92.00	52.00	61.00	35.30	62.00	25.40	....	2035.35
Philadelphia	1765.00	2558.00	217.54	2894.00	434.00	621.00	173.00	473.00	449.00	192.00	174.15	96.00	93.71	5.00*	10145.40
Puget Sound	400.00	737.00	125.00	260.00	137.00	166.00	64.00	185.00	1.00	54.00	48.70	68.00	52.05	....	2297.75
Rock Island	249.00	629.00	14.00	215.00	91.00	112.00	58.00	90.00	109.00	55.00	35.20	59.00	26.20	....	1742.40
San Francisco	206.00	1000.00	617.50	222.00	160.00	154.00	112.00	49.00	112.00	112.00	61.00	116.00	57.00	....	2978.50
Spokane	79.00	500.00	136.05	77.00	56.00	57.00	42.00	20.00	6.00	32.00	17.00	37.00	8.50	....	1067.55
Steubenville	452.00	1000.00	90.00	565.00	215.00	267.00	109.00	90.00	378.00	111.00	76.25	99.00	52.85	....	3505.10
Tennessee	25.00	119.00	....	31.00	26.00	43.00	21.00	35.00	29.00	18.00	38.20	28.00	30.50	....	[illegible]

Westmoreland	585.00	2510.00	76.00	557.00	447.00	459.00	230.00	241.00	342.00	265.00	120.00	222.00	[illegible]		[illegible]
Wheeling	575.00	1000.00	364.00	426.00	120.50	214.00	64.00	78.00	229.00	61.00	47.50	57.00	49.49		3285.49
Wisconsin	219.00	941.00	514.00	234.00	134.00	162.00	72.00	88.00	40.00	77.00	34.30	86.00	16.00	10.00†	2627.30
Xenia	571.00	2000.00		412.00	209.00	241.00	129.00	132.00	78.00	133.00	58.00	152.00	43.00		4158.00
Total	25383.71	69665.00	7425.91	24806.18	9837.21	14836.45	5501.00	7346.55	8135.50	5691.00	3672.29	5390.00	2535.20	125.00	190351.00
CONGREGATIONS															
Avalon, Pa.		1000.00													1000.00
Brooklyn, Cleveland, Ohio		600.00	52.00												652.00
Ezel, Ky.				600.00											600.00
Frenchburg, Ky.				907.38											907.38
Marissa, Ill.		1000.00													1000.00
Paxton, Ill.			500.00	500.00											1000.00
Sparta, Ill.		1250.00													1250.00
Tabernacle, Youngstown, Ohio				1200.00											1200.00
Wallace Memorial, Washington, D. C.		916.65													916.65
Miscellaneous	1309.00	250.00	1595.53	193.06	91.55	159.00				7.00	32.51				3637.65
Total	1309.00	5016.65	2147.53	3400.44	91.55	159.00				7.00	32.51				12163.68
SOCIETIES															
Christine M. Hutton, M.S., Detroit	6.00	4.00		8.00	5.00	4.00	4.00		10.00	7.00	2.00	3.00	2.00		55.00
Miscellaneous	1.00	1.00	544.14	91.00	41.00	51.00	1.00	4.00	1.00	1.00	24.28	1.00			761.42
Junior Exhibit														9.00*	9.00
Total	7.00	5.00	544.14	99.00	46.00	55.00	5.00	4.00	11.00	8.00	26.28	4.00	2.00	9.00	825.42
SABBATH SCHOOLS															
Boulevard, Philadelphia		999.96													999.96
Puckety, New Kensington, Pa.			288.00												288.00
Miscellaneous		50.00	1432.79	80.30	96.00	125.00		63.50			6.12				1853.71
Total		1049.96	1720.79	80.30	96.00	125.00		63.50			6.12				3141.67
INDIVIDUALS															
Sarah Henderson, Washington, Pa.	2000.00			1000.00											3000.00
Mrs. Walter H. Holt, Pittsburgh, Pa.			500.00	100.00		400.00									1000.00
Friends	8600.00	1027.65	121.00	50.00	350.00	352.00				25.00				100.00†	10625.65
Miscellaneous	1861.00	2450.00	3297.25	636.64	44.00	800.00					.16			1000.00‡ 25.00†	10114.05
Total	12461.00	3477.65	3918.25	1786.64	394.00	1552.00				25.00	.16			1125.00	24739.70
MISCELLANEOUS															
Interest on Savings Accounts											2208.24				2208.24
Frenchburg Education Fund				13946.31											13946.31
Jackson Cottage Rent						40.00									40.00
Ezel Education Fund				6550.20											6550.20
Sale of Land—Prairie Mission						400.00									400.00
Literature Department	310.00														310.00
Martha L. Mason Trust Fund	354.70														354.70
Jane Cook Hospital Cottage Rent				175.00											175.00
Betsy Fleming Fund														1365.16	1365.16
Registration Fees														202.00	202.00
Thank Offering—1948														233372.03	233372.03
Thank Offering—1949														734.64	734.64
Legacies														9943.75	9943.75
Junior Exhibit														50.00*	50.00
Duke Endowment														6407.00	6407.00
India Permanent Equipment Fund														66.70	66.70
White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur														8.59	8.59
Profit on Sale of Investments														2189.15	2189.15
Visual Aid														246.78	246.78
Rose E. Mansfield Fund														75.00	75.00
Grand Total	39825.41	79214.26	15756.62	50844.07	10464.76	17167.45	5506.00	7414.05	8146.50	5731.00	5945.60	5394.00	2537.20	255919.80	509866.72

* Junior Exhibit.

† Anuak Tribal Fund.

‡ Matthews School for the Blind, Ethiopia.

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Marguerite M. McClellan, Olathe, Kans.	1,011.80
Mrs. Betty Robertshaw, Turtle Creek, Pa.	30.00
Nancy N. Clark, Yonkers, N.Y.	20.00
Mrs. Albert S. Bright and Brother, Wayne R. Jamison, Chevy Chase, Md. (In memory of parents, Harry V. and Blanche Jamison)	1,000.00
Robert R. Guthner, West Salem, Ore.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wallen, Atkinson, Nebr.	25.00
Mrs. Frank Tussey, Huntingdon, Pa.	10.00
Mrs. Ruth J. Eavey, Xenia, Ohio	125.00
Roxie Hensley, Flag Pond, Tenn.	20.00
Pearl N. Smith and Esther Miller, Huntingdon, Pa.	10.00
Mrs. A. R. Johnson, New Concord, Ohio	50.00
Agnes Ballantyne, Xenia, Ohio	50.00
George and Mabel Preall, Fresno, Calif.	100.00
Mrs. A. C. Cook, Atkinson, Nebr.	25.00
Mrs. George E. Hudson, Atkinson, Nebr.	10.00
Mrs. Lillian Voelker, Avalon, Pa.	5.00
Friends of Dorothy Rankin	216.00
Elizabeth S. Bender, Albuquerque, N.M.	10.00
Carolyn Brewer, Washington, Iowa	196.00
Mrs. Annie F. Given, Indiana, Pa.	200.00
Mrs. O. F. Lundquist, Winfield, Iowa	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Reginald R. Gerig, So. Nyack, N.Y.	25.00
George P. Farquhar, Blanchard, Iowa	70.00
Ruth L. Pollock, Pittsburgh, Pa.	25.00
Anna C. Ballard, Pittsburgh, Pa.	100.00
J. R. Simpson and Lois M. Simpson, Ligonier, Pa.	5.00
Mrs. Margaret D. N. Pollock, Arcadia, Calif.	850.00
Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery, Pittsburgh, Pa.	14.00
Lillian Baker, Pittsburgh, Pa.	10.00
Ruth McCreery, Los Angeles, Calif.	25.00
Clara Allen Shields, Xenia, Ohio	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Stout, Washington, Iowa	100.00
Lysle Farquhar, Coin, Iowa	200.00
Grace E. Whiteside, Amsterdam, N.Y.	150.00
G. A. Schweitzer, Ottawa, Kans.	.16
Mrs. Isabell Archibald, New Kingston, N.Y.	10.00
Mrs. and Mrs. A. W. Benson, Clay Center, Kans.	100.00
Helen R. McMinn, Pittsburgh, Pa.	10.00
Dr. Ethel H. Sharp, Granville, Ohio	50.00
Mrs. Anna P. White, Pittsburgh, Pa.	5.00
Rosella Kroth, Topeka, Kans.	100.00
Alice and Omah Woods, Los Angeles, Calif.	665.00
Ida Woods, Los Angeles, Calif.	781.64
Marion A. Paden, Cleveland, Ohio	5.00
J. R. Loughridge, Garnett, Kans.	50.00
Mrs. J. R. Pollock, Ontario, Calif.	25.00
M. Helen Faires, Kansas City, Mo.	25.00
Jean Dyer, Pittsburgh, Pa.	25.00
Mary N. Kendall, McConnellsburg, Pa.	15.00
Mrs. H. A. McMaster, Sewickley, Pa.	10.00
Mrs. Harry A. Thompson, Pawnee City, Nebr.	50.00
	$10,114.05

REPORT OF

Parsonage Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

Mrs. William L. Neal
Secretary of Parsonage Department

Ten congregations of the Town and Country group were given grants to assist them in the repairing and remodeling of their parsonages, namely: Hebron, N. Y.; Monroe, Iowa; Zion, Greeneville, Tenn.; Somerville, Ind.; Putnam, N. Y., New Kingston, N. Y.; Cutler, Ill.; Eskridge, Kansas; Bellefontaine, Ohio; Garrattsville, N. Y.

Congregation	Received during year	Balance
Akron, Ohio, Margaret Park	$ 1,554.00	$ 1,358.20
Akron, Ohio, North Hill	90.01	209.00*
Akron, Ohio, Oak Hill	444.00	1,044.90
Baltimore, Md., North Avenue	79.50	—
Beaver Falls, Pa., College Hill	1,056.06	2,431.49
Bloomfield, N. Y., Bethany	—	3,700.00†
Broadview, Ill., Broadview Community	—	8,000.00‡
Brooklyn, N. Y., St. James	249.75	1,700.00
Central Falls, R. I.	408.07	505.62
Dayton, Ohio, First	721.50	650.00
Detroit, Mich., Calvin	444.00	2,068.60
Detroit, Mich., Littlefield Blvd.	928.80	2,562.80
Elmont, N. Y.	477.40	958.55
Emsworth, Pa.	666.00	4,450.00
Fresno, Calif.	111.00	5,900.00†
Gary, Ind., Brunswick	376.68	1,446.35
Indianapolis, Ind., Witherspoon	666.00	4,550.00
Kenmore, N. Y., Deerhurst	555.00	1,500.00
Linesville, Pa.	263.76	272.30
Long Island, N. Y., Stewart Manor	575.74	3,211.11*
Los Angeles, Calif., First	1,400.00	4,440.00
Los Angeles, Calif., Florence Ave.	166.50	5,850.00†
Los Angeles, Calif., Grace	360.00	5,346.00

Los Angeles, Calif., Occidental	366.36	2,032.24
Los Angeles, Calif., Westminster	444.00	2,168.50
Mount Ayr, Iowa	277.56	541.32
Mount Vernon, Wash.	466.00	5,016.50
Niagara, N. Y.	360.00	1,440.31
Oil City, Pa., Hasson Heights	376.68	361.14
Olympia, Wash., Westminster	841.75	4,576.98
Onondega, N. Y., Taunton	———	6,000.00‡
Perth, N. Y.	111.00	5,900.00†
Philadelphia, Pa., Beverly Hills	446.00	2,000.00
Philadelphia, Pa., Mayfair	893.67	———
Pittsburgh, Pa., Baldwin Highlands	———	8,000.00‡
Pittsburgh, Pa., First	666.00	5,000.00
Pittsburgh, Pa., Fourth	666.00	5,350.00
Pittsburgh, Pa., Highland Community	588.50	1,592.00
Pittsburgh, Pa., Highland Community	———	6,000.00†
Pittsburgh, Pa., McNaugher Memorial	1,779.31	———
Pittsburgh, Pa., Memorial Park	———	8,000.00‡
Pittsburgh, Pa., Mt. Hope	888.00	6,328.85
Portland, Ore., First	1,734.47	———
Portland, Ore., Laurelhurst	450.00	1,467.44*
Portland, Ore., Valley Community	577.50	6,844.56
Pueblo, Colo.	444.00	2,168.50
Pullman, Wash.	296.00	2,668.00
Rock Island, Ill., Third	1,511.25	1,856.45*
San Diego, Calif., Pacific Portal	888.00	7,080.86
San Francisco, Calif., Ingleside	239.76	3,436.60*
Syracuse, N. Y., Robinson Memorial	254.43	1,459.00
Tacoma, Wash., Tahoma Terrace	66.00	6,000.00
Tarentum, Pa., Ninth Avenue	75.00	6,947.00*
Tulsa, Okla., Southminster	888.00	7,080.86
West Allis, Wis., Cleveland Ave.	438.38	2,270.18†
Wilmington, Del., First	378.00	2,175.82
Youngstown, Ohio, Gibson Heights	75.00	448.79
Total	$29,080.39	Principal—$182,342.97
		Interest—$ 2,023.85

* These six mortgages are past due, however, each congregation has made payments this year and all are planning greater reductions next year.

† Six new loans during year.

‡ Four new loans made through Board of American Missions.

Mrs. William L. Neal,
Parsonage Secretary

Lord, grant us eyes to see, and ears to hear
And souls to love, and minds to understand
And confidence of hope, and filial fear . . .
Lord, grant us what Thou wilt, and what
Thou wilt
Deny, and fold us in Thy peaceful fold;
Not as the world gives, give to us Thine own
Inbuild us where Jerusalem is built
With walls of jasper, and with streets of gold,
And thou, Thyself, Lord Christ, the corner stone.
—*Christina G. Rossetti*

REPORT OF

Financial Secretary

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

Balance April 15, 1948		2,761.50

RECEIPTS

From sale of Statistical Reports	$ 173.76	
From Special Endowment Fund	200.00	
From Investment Income	20,500.00	
From presbyterials to W.G.M.S. Expense Fund	1,560.79	
Interest on savings accounts, deposits, etc.	2,208.24	24.642.79
Total Receipts		$27,404.29

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Office Salaries	$ 8,216.30	
Office Expenses	1,311.92	
Office Equipment	453.01	
Rent of Board Offices	2,250.72	
Women's Missionary Magazine	2,500.00	
Thank Offering Supplies, printing, postage	2,027.49	
Auditors' fees—Main and Company	1,047.50	
Statistical Reports, printing and postage	622.55	
Bonding and compensation—Hartford Company	1,540.14	
Junior Exhibit expense	185.97	
Junior Missionary Magazine	3,200.00	
Junior Department expenses	103.05	
Printing, stationery, etc.	1,158.26	
New Wilmington Conference expenses	260.14	
W. G. M. S. Convention expenses	1,463.87	
General Assembly delegates' expenses	38.00	
Floral Tributes	36.00	
Honorarium — Attorney	222.00	
Lambec Conference delegate's expenses	8.38	26,645.30
Balance on hand April 15, 1949		$ 758.99

Mrs. William L. Neal,
Financial Secretary

STEWARDSHIP

Who does God's work will get God's pay,
However long may seem the day,
However weary be the way.

He does not pay as others pay,
In gold, or land, or raiment gay,
In goods that vanish and decay;

But God's high wisdom knows a way;
And that is sure, let come what may,
Who does God's work will get God's pay.

—Denis McCarthy

REPORT OF

Literature Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

A yearly report must include the old and the new; the routine and the change. Because of a radical change in the Literature Department and the involvement of other related departments, the new will be reported first.

ENLARGED LITERATURE DEPARTMENT

It has been felt for some time that there should be one common source of supply for all literature; namely, "all literature listed in the present catalogue of the Literature, Thank Offering and the Temperance and Reform Departments." In line with this change, please note in the *Magazine* a notice directing you to send for all literature and make checks payable to the Literature Department, (except *Women's* and *Junior Magazine* subscriptions, and the Program Calendars.)

NEW PUBLICATIONS AND REVISIONS

Halima—by Mrs. Harry S. Hutchison. The story of a consecrated Christian nurse of Tanta Hospital, a former Ethiopian slave girl.

Kit and Kat—by Miss Ray Huffman. A card game, presenting a clever way to learn of the Nuer tribe of the South Sudan.

The Story of Prairie Mission—by Wm. T. Peters. The second in a series of booklets on the Negro Missions.

Bible Prayers and Pray-ers — by Ethel Clark Lewis. A guide for devotions, and a method of Bible study, a publication by one of our own W.G.M.S. members.

Junior Special Poster — by the Junior Secretary. A wall-size poster with pictures representing the "round-the-world" Junior projects.

Concerning the unfinished project of the publication of histories of our fields and stations, it can be reported that the authors of the history of the Egyptian Mission and the Mission of the Punjab are making progress. Concerning the organizational material, many leaflets have been revised and reprinted. *The Officers' Packet* and *The Catalogue of Publications* are also under revision and it is hoped wil be ready for Fall distribution.

Mrs. Walter H. Holt
Secretary of Literature

FREE PACKETS

An innovation of last year was the issuing to the members of the Seminary graduating class a free packet of organizational material as an aid to the initiation of missionary societies in congregations where those young ministers and young women will be serving later. From time to time, upon request by the minister or whenever the news of the establishment of a new church reaches us, a similar packet of material is sent. This service has been especially valuable in the case of federated or community churches where the work of our United Presbyterian denomination may be little known.

INCREASES

Increases have occurred in the figures of the following:

1. Presbyterials having literature displays. Perhaps in the last three years, my method of arriving at this figure has not been the one that would present the true picture. Starting with March and ending with July, (designated as Spring) and starting with September and ending with December, (designated as Fall), the following is the list:

Spring displays	44
(22 of these, Spring only)	
Fall displays	27
(5 of these, Fall only)	
Spring and Fall both	22
Workshop display	1
Total number of displays sent	72
Presbyterials having no displays	7

Is your name among the missing?

2. Number of Reading Course books sold: a total of 1025 sold, an increase of 178 over last year; an encouraging note for it shows that books of mission and spiritual emphasis are more than holding their own with those of secular interest; no small accomplishment in this day and age!
3. Receipts in sale of literature: an average of over $584 worth of sales, an increase of almost $49 per month. Much of this increase may be attributed to items 1 and 2 of this list.

DECREASES

1. Sale of mission study books. The country studied, whether it concerns our mission fields or does not, certainly influences the sale of books but I fear the decline is not due to that factor alone. Societies seem to be resorting increasingly to the review method of study, whereby a speaker is engaged to present the book as a whole, to the whole. A good review is an excellent method of education but we seem to be relying more and more on the contribution of others instead of on our own individual effort. Why not combine the two methods?

   The Junior study books show a slight increase. The sale of these is influenced not so much by the country studied as by the interest in the book itself. Reports have come to us saying that the telling of the story, chapter by chapter creates great interest and anticipation for the next meeting.
2. Reading Course Awards. The startling news last year was in this classification; 190 new readers, and the total number of awards roughly doubled. It would be hard to match that increase again for a long time but a decrease of 100 awards this year is hard to explain. Try to spur your readers to complete the course they have started.
3. Prayer Cycles. Let us not be overwhelmed by the figures of over 20,000 Prayer Cycles ordered this year and almost that same amount distributed. Consider rather the efficiency point concerning the Prayer Cycle: "a Prayer Cycle provided for each member." There are over 37,000 members in the United States, so we conclude that but slightly over half have been reached. Similarly, less than half of our Junior society members are without a Junior Prayer Cycle. We have not reached the point of saturation; perhaps only the point of stagnation.
4. Financial balance. Because of the increase in monthly receipts, the Literature Department has been

able to assist the administrative fund of the WGMS by purchasing a letter file for the Literature office and three picture-cut cases for the *Magazine* and Literature Department cuts. While this has depleted our balance, we have been glad to help with the purchase of this much-needed equipment. However with the year 1949-50, a new policy will be adopted: disbursements made from Literature Department receipts will be made for literature and promotional supplies only; but this department will assume all expenses for the publishing and distributing of literature for all departments.

TO LITERATURE SECRETARIES:

A **Commendation**—Again our thanks to you, both Society and Presbyterial, for your splendid cooperation in (a) returning Presbyterial display material promptly. This one factor has been outstanding this year. It has enabled us to know what stock we actually have, and to prevent the accumulation of an unsaleable surplus. (b) the procuring of *Magazine* subscriptions.

A **Plea** for the *Assembly Assigned* booklet. At the 1948 Convention, this little booklet was distributed free so that it might be taken home to your societies. It was compiled and published in answer to many requests over many years, "Have you any one piece of literature that will give us the work of the WGMS in a nutshell?" Including the number distributed free and the sales from the office, only a little over 2,000 have reached our members. In spite of almost constant advertising in the *Magazine*, many still say, "What is it; we never heard of it?" Here is an unfinished task, Literature Secretaries. Have you a copy for yourselves?

2,000 *Assembly Assigned* booklets distributed.

37,000 - 40,000 (U. S. A.) total WGMS membership.

To be able to serve one must know!

FINANCIAL REPORT

ASSETS

Balance on hand April 16, 1948			
Union National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.		818.49	
Literature Sales	7,054.59		
Less refunds	39.39	7,051.20	
Total Receipts			7,833.69

DISBURSEMENTS

Literature and Printing	5,586.22	
Postage	384.48	
Office Supplies and Expenses	271.59	
Office Equipment	371.00	
Convention and Conference Expenses	128.51	
MEM Delegates' Expenses	157.57	
MEM Annual Grant	300.00	
Egyptian Literature Grant	300.00	
Miscellaneous Expense	16.39	
Total Disbursements		7,515.76
Balance April 15, 1949—Union National Bank		317.93

REPORT OF

The Women's Missionary Magazine

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

The Women's Missionary Magazine may have had some misgivings during its sixty-second year as it observed the tried-and-true editor for twenty-three years gradually giving over the responsibilities to a new editor. The change, only because Mrs. John P. White had requested retirement, became effective in September, 1948. However, for several months thereafter Mrs. White gave active assistance. She continues to be an unfailing source of inspiration and helpfulness.

An attempt has been made to continue the high standard set for the *Magazine*. Reading and study articles of immediate and lasting interest on the theme, "Outreach" were secured monthly from missionaries and other consecrated writers. The Women's Board secretaries have been understanding and gracious, not only in writing their department pages, but also in making possible an office at 902 Publication Building.

The Associate Editors, Mrs. Paul Miller of Pakistan and India, Mrs. W. J. Skellie of Egypt, Mrs. Ried F. Shields of the North Sudan, Miss Jean Maxwell of the South Sudan and Mrs. Ruth Lobaugh Walker of Ethiopia have furnished "News from Afar" and assisted with special foreign issues.

Suppose we observe from an imaginary visual-aid reviewing stand those who have had a part each month in sending forth the *Magazine*. Note the busy women, and men too, from our own and other lands preparing copy, speeding it by regular or air mail to the editorial office; stand behind the camera with photographers taking pictures from which engravers made cuts to illustrate and brighten the printed page; watch the skilled linotype operators and trained personnel in the composing room and press rooms working diligently until finally the *Magazine* appears with pages correctly assembled and stitched, wearing a cover-page robe of black and white, sepia, or appropriate color.

In imagination let us also visualize literature secretaries and individuals in societies and presbyterials sending in new subscriptions or studying the labels on their *Magazines* so that they may renew promptly lest they miss an issue. All of these subscriptions must be carefully tabulated and entered upon the mailing list with 15,000 other names. After the *Magazines* are labeled, wrapped and sent to the post office they are dispatched to many destinations.

As you pick up the copy which your faithful postman has put into your box at the post office, or into the slit in your door, or into your rural mail box, please join your editorial staff in prayers of gratitude for the marvelous inventions and for the human cooperation that have made possible each issue of our only denominational adult missionary magazine.

The desire for a constantly growing number of readers stems from the confidence that:

"It is often the things you leave unread
That give you that hopeless feeling
At the way the world is led."

Christian and missionary literature do not attempt to minimize world conditions that are bad, but rather, to give the Christian solution plus the inspiration that will send forth young men and women, financial support and prayers, that the world may be led in the Christ-direction. Suppose not one United

Presbyterian home "left unread" the challenges presented monthly in this *Magazine.* Would we not see an increased interest and giving, not only to the work assigned to the W. G.M.S., but to our general Foreign and Home Mission Boards?

To the Women's Board, to the associate editors to Mrs. White as editor emeritus, and to all co-workers for their assistance, prayers and words of encouragement, and to God for His protecting, sustaining providence, thanks is hereby expressed in submitting this annual report. *Mrs. E. D. McKune,* Editor

TREASURER'S REPORT
THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE
For the Year Ended April 15, 1949

Cash balance, April 16, 1948		$ 1,731.03
RECEIPTS		
Magazine subscriptions	$19,798.28	
Programs	2,618.79	
Tributes	311.50	
Women's Board share of cost of magazine	2,500.00	
Interest on Memorial Fund	300.00	
Interest on Magazine Fund	101.43	
Advance of reserve funds	1,381.00	
Miscellaneous	39.64	
		27,050.64
		$28,781.67
DISBURSEMENTS		
Printing and mailing magazine	$14,882.68	
Paper, including storage	5,052.43	
Cuts	933.50	
Programs	765.68	
Telephone	119.58	
Postage	352.94	
Stationery, office supplies, and miscellaneous printing	241.79	
Honorariums	60.00	
Editors' salaries—Mrs. J. P. White and Mrs. E. D. McKune	1,500.00	
Treasurer's salary	600.00	
Mailing list secretary's salary	123.90	
Binding volumes of magazine	42.00	
Miscellaneous	346.79	
		25,021.29
Cash balance, April 15, 1949		$ 3,760.38

I have examined the recorded cash transactions of Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold, Treasurer of the *Women's Missionary Magazine* of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, for the year ended April 15, 1949. The receipts and disbursements for the year, as shown by the cashbook, were reconciled with deposits and checks paid as shown by bank statements, and the cashbook balance at April 15, 1949, was reconciled with the balance shown by the bank statement. The accompanying statement has been prepared from the books and records examined.

April 30, 1949. *John N. Hepburn,* Accountant
Pittsburgh, Pa. *Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold,* Treasurer

REPORT OF

Junior Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

In the minutes of the General Assembly of 1887, following a reference to an offering made by the children of the Church for foreign missions, are to be found these words: "It was a noble effort of the children and most happily shows that, if they are only properly informed in regard to missions and the needs of the cause of Christ, they will do most cheering work. Only give them the opportunity." This has been corroborated by the contributions each year of the members of the Junior missionary societies.

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton
Secretary of Junior Department

The report for the year just ended is presented alphabetically:

A is for AWARDS

For Gain in Membership

In Class I (Presbyterials with a membership of 500 or more) the winner is Los Angeles with a gain of 13%. Monongahela is second with a gain of 11%.

In Class II (Presbyterials under a 500 membership) the winner is Indiana with a gain of 74%. Big Spring is second with a gain of 72%.

For Efficiency

The Juniors of Spokane and College Springs are the winners, each with an efficiency rating of 90%. Following closely are: Steubenville and Wisconsin, each with 89%, Rock Island with 85%, and Idaho with 83%. The average Standard of Efficiency Rating for Presbyterials is 72%, a gain of 1%.

B is for BOOKS used in the Junior meetings: first of all the Bible and then home and foreign mission study books and other literature on our own fields.

C is for COIN CARDS on which the Juniors gathered $7,414 for their Junior Special Fund, $1,414 more than their goal.

D is for DOLEIB HILL where part of the excess Junior Special money is to be used in medical work.

E is for EZEL where part of the Junior Special money is to be used for playground equipment.

F is for FRENCHBURG where part of the Junior Special money is to be used for lunchroom equipment.

G is for GRADUATES from the Junior Missionary Society into the Youth Fellowship—1,218.

H is for HONORARY MEMBERS of the Junior Missionary Societies—1,077.

I is for INDIAN MISSIONS where part of the Junior Special money provided religious film strips and slides.

J is for JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERSHIPS — 1,155, many of which were paid through Senior Societies.

K is for the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. The place of the children in the Kingdom was specified by Jesus when he said, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

L is for LITTLE LIGHT BEARERS who, as their special gift, sent support to the Children's Ward of Sialkot Hospital, Pakistan.

M is for the MISSIONARY MAGAZINE for Juniors whose circulation is now 9,500.

N is for NUMBERS: 589 societies with 13,583 members. (Also 24 societies with 801 members in the Punjab)

O is for OFFERINGS—the total, including Junior Special and Thank Offering, being $32,312.68.

P is for PRAYER GROUPS AND PRAYER CYCLE. Many thousands of Juniors are using the Prayer Cycle not only in the Prayer Groups, of which there are 200, but also in meetings and private devotions.

Q is for the QUESTION, "Why isn't there a Junior Missionary Society in every Church of our denomination?"

R is for RALLIES. Again this year many splendid Junior rallies and other meetings have been held.

S is for SPECIAL MISSIONARIES of the Juniors: Miss Mary V. Ewing of South Sudan; Miss Mary Conley of Henderson, North Carolina; Miss Margaret Bark of Cairo, Egypt.

T is for THANK OFFERING, total this year given by the Juniors being $18,638.13.

U is for those UNITING with the Church during the year—767.

V is for VEHICLES which the Juniors have helped this year through the Junior Special: the Ibis and Delta Car in Egypt and the Jeep in Ethiopia.

W is for WORKERS—all the devoted superintendents, leaders, helpers, and members of senior organizations who have aided the Juniors during the year.

X is for EXHIBIT which the Juniors have at each annual convention, useful and beautiful articles which are used for Christmas gifts in our mission stations.

Y is for YOU who read this report. Will you help the Juniors in the coming year?

Z is for ZEAL which we crave in the coming year. The Bible says that Christ "gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton,
Secretary of Junior Department

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"A baby smiled in his mother's face;
 The mother caught it, and gave it then
To the baby's father—serious case—
 Who carried it out to the other men;
And everyone of them went straight away
Scattering sunshine through the day."

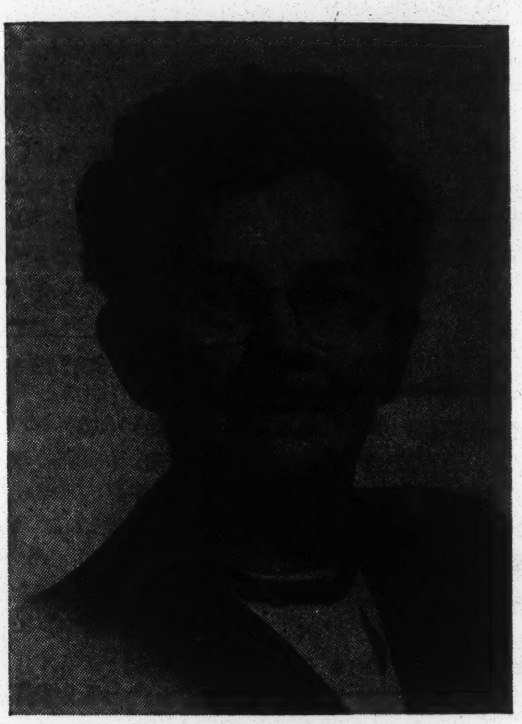
REPORT OF

Junior Missionary Magazine

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

In the cycle of time fifty years have rolled around and the Junior Missionary Magazine proudly celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with the 1948 volume.

We did our best to make each of the twelve issues attractive and helpful in carrying out the Junior program for the year. Truly it will be a worth-while volume to place in the file. It contained one hundred seventy-two pages — twenty-eight more pages than usual.



Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen
Editor of the Junior Missionary Magazine

These fifty years the W.G.M.S. has been serving the children of the United Presbyterian Church. Just think, the children using those first issues are now, many of them grandmothers and perhaps reviewing the pages of today's issues with their grandchildren.

Even in the twenty-five years the present editor has served it is a real joy to look over the early volumes of those years, especially to look into the faces of the Junior Life Members of those years and know today of their full time service in the Master's work—some in the far away mission fields and many, many in pastorates and home mission stations. Wonder what the twenty-five years hence will tell of these four hundred twenty-two smiling faces that we greeted in the fiftieth anniversary volume!

In the make-up of the magazine there is not much change from year to year for we must provide the weekly lessons and the monthly missionary lessons. However, we are ever mindful of that second word in our name —Missionary. We do want the children to know the missionary program of our church and, as you will note, the missionary lessons correlate with the lessons studied in the other missionary groups of our Church. The past year's theme being—The Junior Outreach.

In the weekly lessons we continue to use, with permission, the topics as outlined by the International Society of Christian Endeavor for junior groups.

Because of our denominational study on union with the Reformed Church of America we devoted one issue—April—to a study of their mission fields, home and abroad.

In the June issue we sent out a call for the names of the junior leaders who are serving and have been for ten or more years. Sixteen leaders responded and their names and locations were printed in the December issue.

We are most grateful to our missionaries for the articles they provide. Not only do they tell us of their work and the people they serve but they sometimes lend their pens in unusual ways, as one became the first bus at Ezel School and told its varied experiences throughout a period of years. And another pen became the voices of two cats—away over in the Sudan—and for several months we enjoyed "Kit and Kat in Nuerland."

We thank these and all others who had a part in making this anniversary volume worthwhile. We regretted very much that in the August issue we had to make the announcement of an increase in subscription rates. We do appreciate your response and today our list of subscribers is still above the nine thousand.

We solicit your prayers and cooperation in carrying on this part of the W.G.M.S. program.

Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen, Editor

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER OF THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

For the Year Ended April 15, 1949

RECEIPTS

Cash balance, April 15, 1948		$ 320.29
From Financial Secretary	$3,200.00	
From Temperance and Reform department	300.00	
Interest on Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson Fund	30.00	
From subscriptions	1,898.87	
		5,428.87
Total receipts		$5,749.16

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing 12 issues of magazine	$3,937.50	
Postage on 12 issues of magazine	374.00	
Junior Life Membership cuts	801.86	
Cuts (including cuts from Mrs. N. W. Stevenson Fund)	50.47	
Binding two volumes	12.00	
Expiration cards, photographs, refunds, etc.	26.90	
Total disbursements		5,202.73
Cash balance, April 15, 1949		$ 546.43

Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton, Business Manager

PRAYER FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD

O God of little children, whom Thou on earth didst love,
Look down today and bless them from Heaven high above,
Our orchards and our vineyards we till with zealous care
But child-plants unprotected are drooping everywhere.
O God of little children, teach us to know their worth—
Of such shall be Thy Kingdom in heaven and on earth.
And in this great world garden Thy laborers are we,
To till and dress the vineyard through all eternity.
O God of little children, Thy garden shall be tilled
By those whose hearts are lightened, Thy prophecies fulfilled.
The desert long neglected shall blossom as a rose
With health, and joy, and freedom for every child that grows.

—*Author Unknown*

REPORT OF

Prayer Groups

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. *Psalm* 95:6

This invitation has been heeded this past year by over a thousand Prayer Groups as they sought for the advancement of the missionary cause. There are countless others who offer their petitions regularly that the Gospel may be spread by the United Presbyterian Church in our own land and in foreign fields.

The purpose of the Prayer Group Department is to enlist as many women as possible praying at stated times, but the result in individual lives is the only real measure.

Our missionaries have written many letters to the Presbyterial Prayer Group Secretaries who in turn have placed them in the hands of the local societies. This gives the women of each society an opportunity for direct contact with our missionaries and their problems. Thus we become more intelligent in offering our petitions.

The Prayer Cycle and the page "Objects for Special Prayer" in the Missionary Magazine present current information about our representatives on the mission fields and their needs.

Most of the Presbyterials observed the Presbyterial Day of Prayer in the fall. Great numbers of the women of the Church met at the time of the Prayer Around the World and joined with those in attendance at the Convention in June in praying for our denomination and all its fields of endeavor.

Mrs. John C. Spielman
Prayer Group Secretary

May we earnestly pray that even more of our women share in the enriching experience that comes from prayer for the work of the W.G.M.S. and the missionary cause around the world, in the year which lies ahead.

Mrs. John C. Spielman,
Prayer Group Secretary

I know not by what methods rare.
But this I know: God answers prayer.

I know it cometh soon or late;
Therefore, we need to pray and wait.

I know not if the blessing sought
Will come in just the guise I sought.

I leave my prayers with Him alone
Whose will is wiser than my own.
—*Selected*

REPORT OF

Temperance and Reform Department

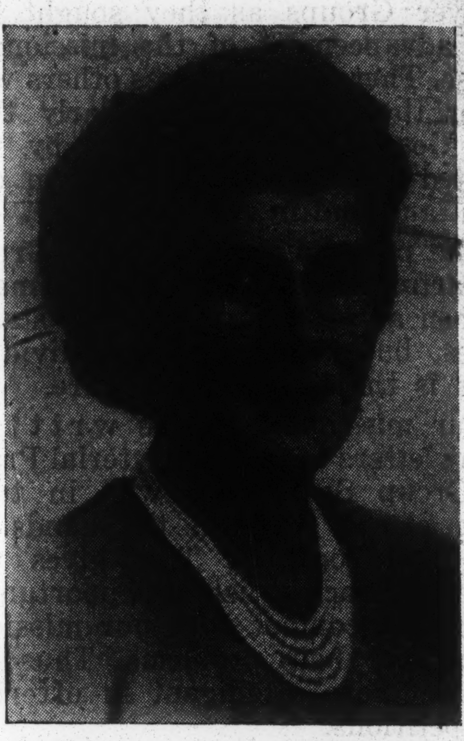
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

To write a so-called Report on the status of Temperance and Reform in the church is almost as impossible as to attempt to measure the extent of spirituality or the prayer life to which the church has attained. The things of the spirit and of moral, social and psychological impact cannot be reduced to figures and hard cold facts, but rather are measured by the results in the life and character of mankind. The degree to which we are efficient in such things is dependent upon the degree in which we are willing to yield our lives to the things which are noblest and finest—the things which are of God—and having yielded, to work tirelessly and enthusiastically to bring these things to pass.

That alcoholism is America's unsolved problem, and that the liquor traffic with its accompanying vices is the bitterest foe of the Christian religion should give every Christian pause and make him determined to fight this deadly enemy with every ounce of his God-given strength.

With all Presbyterials except two reporting we find less than half definitely reporting an increase in interest in the cause of Temperance and Reform, the remainder showing varying degrees of interest including seven who answered "No." Only slightly more than one-fourth report having any alcohol education program in their churches and Sabbath Schools or generally among the young people. Since one of the great goals of the Alcohol Beverage Traffic is to close the doors of public information—the press, radio and even the pulpit—they have every reason to feel very much pleased and elated over such success among our churches.

Concerning the problems which we face there was great unanimity in listing the great increase in taverns, saloons, taprooms and all kinds of places dispensing liquor. There was likewise wide-spread concern over the increase in drinking, especially among women and minors, the ease with which it is obtained, the social drinking in general and specifically among church people. Many deplored the general acceptance of drinking as a popular habit and the failure of church people to take a decided stand against the evil. Also there was mentioned the failure of parents and the lack of cooperation between home, church and school.



Mrs. W. J. Harper McKnight
Secretary of Temperance and Reform

That most obnoxious and far-reaching phase of the liquor traffic, the extensive advertising in magazines, papers and books, and also via radio, movies, comics, etc., was presented as a very real problem. With an estimated one hundred million a year spent in advertising alcoholic beverages in this country alone, the power and influence of such a sum of money is forcing the American public to swallow monstrous lies. The new and attractive Television shows being made available in drinking places is presenting an "up-to-the-minute" problem.

Last year the members of our W.G.M.S. contributed $5394 for the work of Temperance and Reform out of which grants were made to this department of work in our Foreign Fields and in America donations were made to the American Business Research Foundation and the National Temperance League.

But the giving of our money, important as that is, is not enough in this day when the problem of alcoholism is more acute than ever before. We must give of our time—time to study and thoroughly inform ourselves and then to teach others, particularly the children and youth of our land.

May we have the spiritual and moral power to honestly face this issue in our own lives, our churches, our communities and our country.

With gratitude to Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison for her fine work as Temperance Secretary in recent months and appreciation to the Presbyterial Secretaries who were faithful in their work, I respectfully submit this report.

Mrs. W. J. Harper McKnight
Secretary of Temperance
and Reform.

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QUOTATIONS FROM "THE CLIP SHEET"

THE POINT

Once upon a time, a Mohammedan came to one of his religious leaders called a Kadi, and asked, "If I eat dates, is that against the commands of religion?"

"No," said the kadi.

"And may I add some water?"

"Certainly."

"And is it wrong to take a little yeast?"

"Oh no."

"Well," went on the questioner, "date wine consists only of these three ingredients. Why, then, is it forbidden by the laws of our religion?"

The kadi thought for a moment, and then he said, "If I throw a handful of dust on your head, will that cause pain?"

"Not in the least."

"And if I add some water—will it hurt you then?"

"I think not."

"Now, if I mix dust and water together and burn it into a brick and hit you on the head with it, what then?"

SILLY OSTRICH!

The ostrich is a silly bird!
When unfamiliar things take place
He does not meet them face to face,
But thrusts his head into the ground
To snuff all sense of sight and sound.

The ostrich is a silly bird!
Then what about his counterpart,
The human who believes it smart
To sidestep problems by the ruse
Of snuffing mind through drinking booze?

The ostrich is a silly bird!
His gizzard welcomes with delight
Glass beads and string and all things bright;
"All vitamins such things must hold,
Because they glitter just like gold."

The ostrich is a silly bird!
Then how describe the man who drinks
A poison, alcohol, and thinks,
To liquor if the ads be true?
Success and fame in life are due
To liquor if the ads be true?

—R. D. Thomas.

REPORT OF

Thank Offering Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

Sixty-one years ago in April the women of our Church brought their first Thank Offering which amounted to almost six thousand dollars. At that time there were about seventeen thousand members in our missionary societies, and each member was asked to bring at least one dollar over and above her regular giving for the year. If all had responded the Thank Offering would have been almost three times what it was. However we must keep in mind that this was a time of depression in our country, and retrenchment was felt on every hand in our mission work. Later on the time of the In-gathering was changed from Spring to Fall, being held in most of our churches between October 1st and December 15th, as a part of the morning or evening Worship Service. Thus it has come to be supported not only by the women, but by many of the men and those who are members of our congregations. We appreciate the co-operation and help that is given to this particular department of our work by those who are not members of our missionary societies. Through the years the Thank Offering has meant much in the support of Kingdom work through the Women's General Missionary Society.

At the present time over one-third of our work is made possible through Thank Offering gifts. The total Thank Offering for 1948 is $234,591.27, which is over $12,000 more than last year. Of this amount $192,536.27 is known as undesignated Thank Offering and was received from general Thank Offering gifts, Memorial Fund gifts, and the W.G.M.S. Convention Thank Offering, and income on bequests.

This undesignated offering has been distributed as follows:

Foreign Department	$127,000
Home Department	25,000
Negro Department	35,000
Indian Department	3,000
Benevolent Fund	1,000
Contingent Fund	1,536.27

This distribution was determined after careful and prayerful consideration of the needs of each department, and supplements the work of each field to the extent designated above. The Contingent fund helps to furnish Thank Offering supplies and the postage for mailing same. You will remember that it was decided last year not to charge individual societies postage for supplies ordered.

The balance of the total Thank Offering, or $42,055, namely, designated Thank Offering was received from Life Directorships, Senior and Junior Life Memberships, and the sale of Thank Offering supplies.

From this fund much of the building in our various fields has been made possible, such as more recently, missionary residences at Sayo and Doleib Hill, the buying of the doctor's house at Frenchburg, and two teachers' cottages at Ezel. This past year a new school building was erected at Frenchburg and was occupied late in November. From this fund $100,000 was set aside to help in the building of a new hospital at Tanta, Egypt. During the year we have been able to grant requests from ten rural Churches for the gift of $500 each to help in repairing their parsonages. Scholarships were supplied to each of our Colleges to be used by young people who are going into full-time Christian service. A grant was made to Pittsburgh - Xenia Seminary toward the support of the new course in Christian Education. The Annual grant to the co-operative work in

Vellore Medical Center, India, of $1,000.00 was taken from this special fund of Thank Offering. It is also helping to furnish salary bonuses and pensions for our missionaries. The Junior Life Memberships of this past year, amounting to $11,550 were placed in an endowment fund for the Junior Missionary Magazine and will be used in this way as a means of missionary education for our boys and girls.

A new pageant which was presented at the Convention in Sterling will be available for societies to use this fall as well as other new material in preparation for the Thank Offering and also for the Service itself. From now on this material should be ordered through the regular Literature Department, not through the Thank Offering, and remember, no postage is required.

We now enter a new Thank Offering year and may we keep in mind that as in the beginning this is a gift over and above our regular giving. We give because our hearts are over-flowing with gratitude for God's mercies to us. Let us listen to Paul as he speaks to the Macedonian Christians, "they gave according to their means—and beyond their means, of their own free will—but first they gave themselves to the Lord." Thus may we enter this year of privilege and service with thankful hearts.

The following comparison of the last three years of Thank Offering should be helpful and interesting.

	1946	1947	1948
Total Thank Offering	218,180.31	222,312.11	234,591.27
Undesignated	172,583.31	182,392.11	192,536.27
Designated	45,597.00	39,920.00	42,055.00
Egypt	7,019.11	8,180.21	
India and Pakistan	1,161.95	884.85	1,302.10
Sudan	350.00	234.00	
Societies reporting	1904	1939	1927
Societies increasing	1125	1079	1166
Societies doubling	49	50	62
Giving first Thank Offering	49	73	58
Junior Honor Roll	297	307	280
Life Directors	19	9	10
Life Members Senior	1184	1063	1090
Life Members Junior	983	1021	1155
Memorial Fund	2	29	27

Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb, Thank Offering Secretary

HONOR ROLL REPORT FOR PRESBYTERIALS

1948 THANK OFFERING

In the following Presbyterials every society gave a Thank Offering and reported on time:

1. Cleveland—Thirty-second Year
2. Wisconsin—Thirty-first Year
3. Spokane—Twenty-second Year
4. Delaware—Twentieth Year
5. Oklahoma—Twentieth Year
6. Argyle—Ninth Year
7. Idaho—Ninth Year
8. Monmouth—Ninth Year
9. Monongahela—Ninth Year
10. Los Angeles—Eighth Year
11. Beaver Valley—Eighth Year
12. Caledonia—Sixth Year
13. Illinois Southern—Sixth Year
14. Indiana—Sixth Year
15. Albany—Fifth Year
16. Big Spring—Fifth Year
17. Conemaugh—Fifth Year
18. Mercer—Fifth Year
19. Allegheny—Fourth Year
20. Chartiers—Fourth Year
21. Colorado—Fourth Year
22. Keokuk—Fourth Year
23. Tennessee—Fourth Year

24. Cedar Rapids—Third Year
25. Des Moines—Third Year
26. Uncompahgre—Third Year
27. Vermont—Third Year
28. Mansfield—Second Year
29. Oregon—Second Year
30. San Francisco—Second Year
31. Steubenville—Second Year
32. Xenia—Second Year
33. Boston—First Year
34. Chicago—First Year
35. College Springs—First Year
36. Muskingum—First Year
37. Nebraska—First Year
38. First Ohio—First Year
39. Wheeling—First Year

REPORT OF THE 1948 THANK OFFERING BY PRESBYTERIALS

*Albany	$ 1,426.50
*Allegheny	13,824.91
*Argyle	2,342.87
*Arkansas Valley	3,248.42
*Beaver Valley	10,802.63
*Big Spring	1,426.77
*Boston	4,654.47
Butler	8,310.29
*Caledonia	4,687.90
*Cedar Rapids	2,975.31
*Chartiers	8,353.84
*Chicago	3,377.21
*Cleveland	13,911.44
*College Springs	2,625.78
Colorado	3,636.18
*Conemaugh	4,339.16
*Delaware	3,632.30
*Des Moines	2,739.93
*Detroit	3,890.80
*Idaho	1,126.88
*Southern Illinois	4,326.39
*Indiana	2,727.11
*Kansas City	3,579.27
Keokuk	2,328.34
*Kiskiminetas	3,121.17
*Lake	4,364.18
*Los Angeles	6,426.10
*Mansfield	2,730.08
*Mercer	4,634.01
*Monmouth	4,293.73
Monongahela	21,975.94
Muskingum	3,557.67
*Nebraska	2,283.71
New York	3,029.87
*First Ohio	4,546.65
Ohio Northwestern	1,951.89
*Oklahoma	744.97
Oregon	1,642.14
*Philadelphia	18,163.89
*Puget Sound	3,318.02
Rock Island	2,194.78
San Francisco	3,222.06
Spokane	1,323.10
*Steubenville	6,417.32
*Tennessee	1,018.01
Uncompahgre	370.27
*Vermont	598.70
*Westmoreland	8,746.89
Wheeling	2,520.36
*Wisconsin	2,186.84
*Xenia	3,738.84
Total	$233,415.89
Christine M. Hutton M.S.	31.00
Clara Aiken Speer	100.00
Mrs. John D. Bamford	25.00
Mrs. Alex F. Brown	100.00
J. Edwin McKirahan	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fisher	25.00
Anna Rutherford	10.00
Mrs. R. G. McGill	5.00
Mrs. S. W. Campbell	50.00
Convention Offering	271.76
Sale of Thank Offering Supplies	255.00
Income on Bequests	277.62
Grand Total	$234,591.27

*Increased

DISTRIBUTION OF THE 1948 THANK OFFERING

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of The Women's General Missionary Society, Tuesday, April 5, 1949, the following distribution of the 1948 Thank Offering was made:

Foreign Missions	$127,000.00
Home Missions	25,000.00
Negro Missions	35,000.00
Indian Missions	3,000.00
Benevolence	1,000.00
Life Directorship	3,000.00
Senior Life Memberships	27,250.00
Junior Life Memberships	11,550.00
Contingent Fund	1,791.27
Total	$234,591.27

DESIGNATIONS OF THE 1948 THANK OFFERING

PRESBYTERIALS	Senior Life Memberships	Junior Life Memberships	Life Directorships	Memorial Thank Offering Fund	Contingent Fund	Total
Albany	$ 75.00	$ 10.00				$ 85.00
Allegheny	1,900.00	1,080.00	$ 300.00	$ 100.00		3,380.00
Argyle	200.00	120.00				320.00
Arkansas Valley	250.00	380.00				630.00
Beaver Valley	1,175.00	360.00	300.00			1,835.00
Big Spring		110.00				110.00
Boston	425.00	20.00		100.00		545.00
Butler	900.00	510.00				1,410.00
Caledonia	325.00	120.00				445.00
Cedar Rapids	350.00	120.00				470.00
Chartiers	950.00	520.00	300.00	200.00		1,970.00
Chicago	425.00	130.00		100.00		655.00
Cleveland	1,950.00	1,130.00	600.00	400.00		4,080.00
College Springs	125.00	40.00		100.00		265.00
Colorado	450.00	140.00				590.00
Conemaugh	450.00	160.00		100.00		710.00
Delaware	650.00	100.00				750.00
Des Moines	200.00	70.00				270.00
Detroit	400.00	80.00				480.00
Idaho	75.00	20.00				95.00
Illinois Southern	775.00	150.00		100.00		1,025.00
Indiana	475.00	60.00				535.00
Kansas City	600.00	100.00				700.00
Keokuk	150.00	180.00				330.00
Kiskiminetas	650.00	210.00	300.00	100.00		1,260.00
Lake	375.00	340.00				715.00
Los Angeles	975.00	220.00				1,195.00
Mansfield	525.00	150.00				675.00
Mercer	400.00	250.00		100.00		750.00
Monmouth	725.00	170.00				895.00
Monongahela	2,475.00	1,390.00	300.00	200.00		4,365.00
Muskingum	650.00	150.00				800.00
Nebraska	200.00	30.00				230.00
New York	100.00	50.00		100.00		250.00
Ohio First	525.00	220.00				745.00
Ohio Northwestern	325.00	50.00				375.00
Oklahoma	75.00	30.00		100.00		205.00
Oregon	125.00	10.00				135.00
Philadelphia	1,100.00	810.00	300.00	500.00		2,710.00
Puget Sound	325.00	60.00				385.00
Rock Island	275.00	90.00				365.00
San Francisco	700.00	120.00				820.00
Spokane	300.00	60.00				360.00
Steubenville	550.00	310.00	300.00	100.00		1,260.00
Uncompahgre	50.00					50.00
Vermont	25.00	10.00				35.00
Westmoreland	1,250.00	660.00		200.00		2,110.00
Wheeling	300.00	160.00				460.00
Wisconsin	325.00	90.00	300.00			715.00
Xenia	500.00	200.00				700.00
Miscellaneous	150.00			100.00		250.00
Sale of Supplies					$255.00	255.00
Totals	$27,250.00	$11,550.00	$ 3,000.00	$ 2,700.00	$255.00	$44,755.00

SENIOR LIFE MEMBERS

$25.00 Each

13. Mrs. Lorne Woodworth, Buffalo, N.Y. By friends in the Curtis Park Women's Association.
14. Mrs. Eva C. Lindsey, Mercer, Pa.
15. Maxine Espy, Flat Rock, Ill. By her father.
16. Mrs. Fred Laughead, Flat Rock, Ill. By her sister.
17. Mrs. Minnie Whannel, Traer Iowa. By members of the Women's Missionary Society.
18. Mrs. William F. Pinkerton, Sterling, Kansas. By the Sterling Juniors and their mothers.
19. Mrs. J. A. Daudet, Midway, Pa. By her daughter.

LIFE DIRECTORS

$300.00

1. Mrs. Mattie Bennett, In Memoriam. By members of the W.M.S., Eskridge, Kansas, through legacy left to the society by her.

LIFE DIRECTORS

ACTIVE ROLL

$300.00 Each

1. Mrs. Collingwood. By her son.
2. Mrs. D. Emmett Alter, Abbottabad, India. By her mother, Mrs. J. C. Alter.
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8. Mrs. J. A. Duff, Aspinwall, Pa. By the Aspinwall Congregation, in memory of Rev. J. A. Duff.
9. Mrs. J. G. McCrory, New York City. By her husband.
10. Mrs. Elizabeth James Norton. Ph.D. By the Philadelphia School of the Bible.
11. Mrs. Martha C. Spencer. By a devoted friend who knows and appreciates her ability and activity in missionary work.
12. Mrs. T. A. Stewart, New York City. By Mrs. J. G. McCrory.
13. Mrs. Marie Iva Huth, Alliance, O. By her husband, C. F Huth.
14. Mrs. Martha R. Huth, Brookville, Pa. By her son, C. F. Huth.
15. Mrs. W. H. Smith, Los Angeles, Calif.
16. Mrs. Albert Buehrle, Youngstown, O. By her mother, Mrs. Laura, Ewing.
17. Mrs. Lucinda Kennedy, Brookville, Pa.
18. Mrs. Frank R. Potter, New York City. By Mrs. J. G. McCrory.
19. Mrs. A. B. Leavitt, New York City. By J. G. McCrory.
20. Mrs. George Sterling, Steubenville, O. By Steubenville Presbyterial.
21. Mrs. Frank Davis, Wilkinsburg, Pa.
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23. Mrs. Howard Beatty Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her mother, Mrs. J. C. Hare.
24. Mrs. Guy D. Wallace, Braddock, Pa. By a friend.
25. Mrs. Helen T. Brown, Pittsburgh, Pa.
26. Mrs. James S. Huey, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her husband.
27. Mrs. Charles N. Neeld, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her husband.
28. Mrs. May Prenter Duff. Ben Avon, Pa.
29. Mrs. Thomas Delbert Edgar, Wilkinsburg, Pa. By members of the Young Women's Missionary Society.
30. Mrs. F. McGay Knipe, New York City.
31. Mrs. Ralph McGill, New Wilmington, Pa.
32. Mrs. Effie Lukens McKee, Beloit Kans. By her husband, Charles M. McKee.
33. Mrs. Joseph A. Dickey, Edgewood, Pa.
34. Sadie Leggett, New York City. By J. G. McCrory.
35. Mrs. Rebecca Borland, Jamestown, Pa. By South Shenango W. M. S. and W. M. S., Martha Circle and Junior M. S. of Jamestown.
36. Mrs. Wm. M. Ewing, Duquesne, Pa. By a friend.
37. Mary Elizabeth Mitchell, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. By sister, Carrie E. MacDanel.
38. Robert E. MacDanel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. By sister, Carrie E. MacDanel.
39. J. William MacDanel, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. By sister Carrie E. MacDanel.
40. Emma Kensil, Philadelphia, Pa. By J. G. McCrory.
41. Mrs. James F. McCain, North Side, Pittsburgh. By Mr. James F. McCain.
42. Mrs. Helen Martin, Braddock, Pa. By a friend.
43. Mrs. W. C. Packer, Wilkinsburg, Pa. By a friend.
44. Mrs. H. L. Henderson, Claysville, Pa. By Claysville W. M. S.
45. Mrs. Eleanor A. Erskine, Steubenville, O.
46. Helen Martin Toddie, North Braddock, Pa. By a friend.
47. Mrs. Sarah Crow Parker, Philadelphia, Pa. By Philadelphia Presbyterial in Commemoration of its Golden Jubilee.
48. Janet Lockart McCune (Mrs. John R.). By Y.W.M.S. of Sixth Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
49. Mrs. Mary Eddie Orr, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends in the W.F.M.S. of First Church, N. S.
50. Mrs. Dora Lauster, Rural Valley, Pa.
51. Mrs. W. H. Ewing, Pittsburgh, Pa. By the Missionary Societies of Monongahela Presbytery, in honor of twenty-five years of service as Presbyterial Treasurer.
52. Mrs. J. L. Beatty, Pittsburgh, Pa. By a friend.
53. Mrs. J. P. White, Pittsburgh, Pa. By Braddock W. M. S.
54. Mrs. John Wallace, Cynwyd, Pa. By Wynnefield W. M. S.
55. Mrs. John C. Heinrich, Chicago, Ill. By W. M. S. 1st U. P. Church, Braddock, Pa.
56. J. Edward McMahon, Philadelphia, Pa. By his wife.
57. Mary McMahon, Ventnor, N.J. By her mother, Mrs. J. Edward McMahon.
58. Mrs. George L. Craig, Sewickley, Pa. By her husband, George L. Craig.
59. May S. Crawford, Wilkinsburg, Pa. By the evening W. M. S. of Second Wilkinsburg, in appreciation of most faithful and efficient service as treasurer for over thirty-seven years.

60. Mrs. James W. Stoffer, Houston, Pa. By her husband.
61. Mrs. Robert C. Gang, Pittsburgh, Pa.
62. Mrs. Matilda Dolfinger. By her daughter, Mrs. Caroline D. McMahon, Philadelphia, Pa.
63. Mrs. W. Wade Miller, Bovina Center, N. Y. In memory of Mrs. Jennie Archibald.
64. Mr. Wm. Stewart, Merion, Pa. By Mrs. Edward McMahon, Philadelphia, Pa.
65. Mary M. Newlands, Philadelphia, Pa. By the Mary MacLeod Newlands, Y. W. M. S., Wynnefield Church.
66. Nina Newlands, Philadelphia, Pa. By the Mary MacLeod Newlands, Y. W. M. S., Wynnefield Church.
67. Mrs. H. H. McConnell, Wilkinsburg, Pa. By members of the Women's Evening Missionary Society of the Second Church.
68. Mrs. Paul M. Haas, Youngstown. By her husband.
69. Mrs. C. C. Fidler, West Allis, Wis. By her husband and sons, Howard W. and Alan B.
70. Mrs. S. A. Fulton, West Allis, Wis. By her husband.
71. Mrs. Thomas A. Miller, Bellevue, Pa. By her husband, Dr. Thomas A. Miller.
72. A Friend. Washington, Iowa.
73. Mrs. William M. Crowe, Philadelphia, Pa.
74. Mrs. J. Edward McMahon, Philadelphia, Pa. By her mother, Mrs. M. Dolfinger.
75. Mada Franz, Philadelphia, Pa. By the Mary M. Newlands Society.
76. Jane H. Gray, Philadelphia, Pa. By Mada Franz.
77. Mrs. Fred Bunn, Youngstown, Ohio. By Dr. and Mrs. James D. Brown.
78. Mrs. Jennie Swank, New Kensington, Pa. By the W. M. S. and the Bethel Missionary Societies of Parnassus Church.
79. Mrs. W. R. Wilson, Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends in the Ben Avon Church.
80. Mrs. Harry S. Hutchison, Claysville, Pa. By the Women's Missionary Society.
81. Katherine Sheller, Claysville, Pa. By the Women's Missionary Society.
82. Mrs. J. T. Stewart, Pittsburgh, Kans. By her daughter, Esther Stewart.
83. Mrs. Charles Wright Fulton, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her daughter.
84. Elizabeth McCoy, Philadelphia, Pa. By Mada Franz.
85. Jane McCoy, Philadelphia, Pa. By Mada Franz.
86. Margaret Orr, Youngstown, Ohio. By Dr. and Mrs. James D. Brown.
87. Mrs. C. K. McGeorge, Cambridge, Ohio. By friends in First U. P. Church.
88. Alice Woods, Los Angeles, Calif. By her sister, Ida Woods.
89. Mrs. John McKelvie, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her husband.
90. Mrs. W. E. Minteer, Ellwood City, Pa. By members of the W. M. S.
91. Mrs. James D. Brown, Youngstown, Ohio. By Dr. James D. Brown.
92. Mrs. Earl M. Blair, Youngstown, Ohio. By her husband.
93. Mrs. Don P. Montgomery, Youngstown, Ohio. By members of the Ann Montgomery Missionary Society of Pleasant Grove Church.
94. Mrs. W. C. Christy, Gujranwala, India. By members of the Women's Missionary Society and the Women's Evening Missionary Society of Crafton Heights U. P. Church, Crafton, Pa.; in memory of Mrs. Margaret Morgan.
95. Mrs. Beulah G. Ferguson, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her husband.
96. Bertha Demski, Woodville, Pa. By the Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Ramsey, in honor and appreciation of twenty-four years of faithful work in the Woodville congregation.
97. Mrs. Ella C. Reed, Carnegie, Pa. By her daughters, Myrtle and Ethel.
98. Mrs. William M. Nichol, North Braddock, Pa. By members of the Women's Missionary Society of First U. P. Church of Braddock.
99. Dollie M. Callow, Philadelphia, Pa. By Mada Franz.
100. Grace L. Stacks, Bala-Cynwyd, Pa. By Mada Franz.
101. Mrs. S. C. Huntington, Milwaukee, Wis. By her son.
102. Mrs. M. Earle Collins, Tarkio, Mo. By her nephew, Charles Oviatt.
103. Margaret Blair, Youngstown, Ohio. By her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blair.
104. Rev. George A. Brown, East Liverpool, O. By Dr. and Mrs. James D. Brown, son and daughter-in-law.
105. Mrs. John Paul Cameron, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa. By her husband.
106. Mrs. T. A. Gibson, New Kensington, Pa. By members of the Bethel Missionary Society. Parnassus U. P. Church.
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109. Mrs. C. R. Ramsey, Woodville, Pa. By Bertha Demski, through the Good Samaritan Fund, in appreciation of 25 years of faithful service in the Women's and Junior Missionary Societies of Woodville United Presbyterian Church.
110. Mrs. W. C. Holmes, West Allis, Wis. By her husband.

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93. Minnie G. White. By her sisters and brothers, Mrs. Morris Watson, Mrs. Chalmers J. White, Mr. and Mrs. Clair White, New Concord, Ohio.
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123. Mrs. J. D. Sands, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Transfer from Active Roll)

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128. James W. Stoffer; By his wife, Mrs. James W. Stoffer, Houston, Pa.

129. Mrs. Mary T. Fahnestock; By the Women's Foreign and Home Missionary Society of the First Church of Allegheny, through legacy left by the deceased.

"IF GOD FORGOT"

"If God forgot the world,
Forgot for just one day—
Forgot to send the sunshine,
And change the night to day;
Forgot to make the flowers grow,
Forgot the birds and bees,
Forgot to send the sweetness
Of the south wind in the trees;
Forgot to give us friendships,
Forgot to send us rain,
Forgot to give the children play,
Forgot to soften pain;
What would happen to this world and us?
Would we still be gay?
If God should forget—
Forget for just one day?"

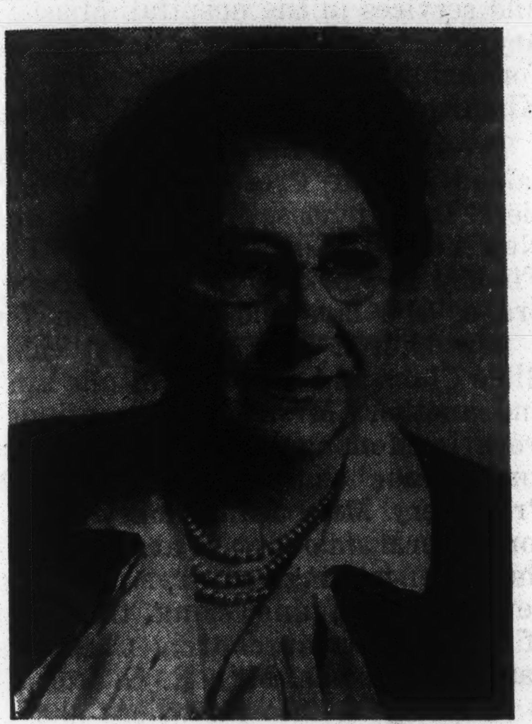
—*Georgia M. Anderson*

REPORT OF

Home Missions

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

At the close of the year we pause to look back over a year filled with accomplishments and blessings. There has been advancement along many lines and we feel that God has blessed our work and calls us to more determined effort toward making a more Christian America during the year to come.



Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch
Secretary of Home Missions

In the Mountain Missions the schools at Frenchburg and Ezel have increased enrollments and each has a staff of eighteen well-qualified Christian teachers. In both, Bible is taught throughout the grades and high school. Vocational Agriculture courses are conducted by both schools in cooperation with their respective counties. At Frenchburg night classes in this course are held for veterans with more than a hundred enrolled. In accordance with state requirements Physical Education is provided to add interest and help develop the abilities of the pupils. At Frenchburg twenty-nine boys and girls live in the dormitory. They are paid for work on campus and buildings and so help pay their expenses.

There have been improvements at both places. At Ezel a property adjoining the school was bought and added to the playground, which had long been too small, so now there are adequate facilities for recreation. A new shop building was also erected. At Frenchburg the new grade school building begun last summer was finished and the grades took possession about the first of the year. The lower grades were so crowded that for over a year part of them had been housed in a temporary building erected on the campus. During the year a school lunch program was inaugurated and will for a time make use of this temporary building.

The Lord has blessed these schools in many ways, with fine Christian superintendents, with splendid teachers with whom the idea of service to the mountain boys and girls is foremost, but there has been loss and serious illness also. We suffered great loss and sorrow in the death of Mr. Thomas S. Moore and his twelve-year-old son in an automobile accident. Mr. Moore was recreation director and mathematics teacher at Ezel and by his Christian character and fine spirit had endeared himself to the school and the community. It will be hard to replace him. We are happy that Mrs. Moore will remain with us and retain her place of usefulness in the school. There have been several cases of severe illness, one teacher having to give up her work, others having to be absent from classes for some time, but were able to resume their work later.

JANE COOK HOSPITAL

Owing to the removal of the physician to another locality in June the hospital had to be closed during the summer, much to our regret, but in August Dr. John W. Walker, Jr., began practice and the hospital reopened. We were fortunate in securing Dr. Walker who is a sincere, missionary-minded Christian and fits well into our work, advancing it by his attitude. At this time we created a new position in the hospital, that of business manager in charge of everything but actual nursing. Again we were fortunate in securing Miss Margaret Buren, a business woman, assistant cashier in a bank, who had long been interested in Frenchburg and wrote asking if we had a place for her. Because we had been planning for such a person in the hospital, we engaged her at once. She has been invaluable as she has quietly taken over her duties taking on added responsibility when occasion demanded. Four nurses, two registered and two practical, and the dietician-cook make up the staff. Mrs. Walker, the doctor's wife, a registered nurse, gives part time in nursing. Letters from some who have been patients tell of the happy spirit prevailing in the hospital and the excellent care given by the doctor and nurses. We are now seeking a head nurse with experience in supervision, from 35 to 50 years old to assume direction of nurses and patients. Another urgent need that must soon be met is a cottage for the nurses. At present they live in the hospital and are always within sound and sight of their work. This is bad for the morale of these nurses who could so easily go elsewhere but choose to stay and care for the sick of the mountain people in the only hospital in the whole section. There is some money available for such a purpose. Friends who would like to make the lives of these nurses easier and more comfortable could help to make this plan a reality.

THE FRENCHBURG AND EZEL CHURCHES

Under the ministry of the Rev. Ralph E. Ayers these churches have prospered during the past year. Evangelistic meetings held in connection with both schools resulted in a number of pupils accepting Christ. Active Young People's Societies have helped with the church services, held meetings in country school houses and services in the hospital. Missionary societies have given opportunity for helping with the work of the Kingdom in other places.

Presbyterial mission work is maintained in four Presbyteries — Chartiers, Los Angeles, Monongahela and New York. In Los Angeles Miss Ruth Findley is working at East Alhambra as she lays the foundation for a new church with a survey, calls, Bible Clubs and meetings of one kind and another. Mrs. Cianco continues work in Monongahela at the Hamilton Avenue church. In New York Presbytery Miss Jean Dickey works for several months at different churches making surveys, seeking new members, answering the need of that particular church. Chartiers has two missions. Mrs. R. G. Russell is in charge at Slovan where she is furnishing fine leadership, being in charge of all services except the preaching service which is furnished by the Burgettstown U.P. Church near by. Westland Mission is at present without a regular missionary. Two part-time workers have helped during the year. Sabbath school and preaching service is held each week by the Rev. B. M. Wallace and Miss Elsie Cowden both of the Hickory U.P. Church. It is hoped a permanent worker may be secured soon.

We are grateful for the interest and help that have come in many forms: scholarships, gifts, boxes of used clothing, much needed Christmas boxes.

Mrs. Edgar B. Murdock
Secretary of Home Missions

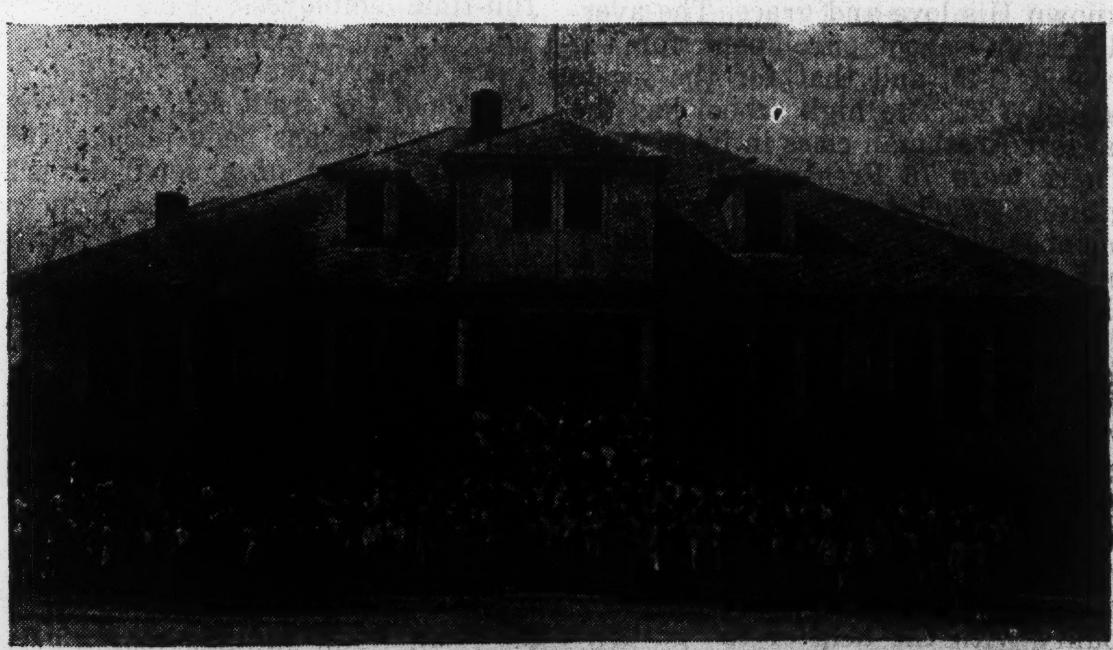
EZEL SCHOOL
1948-1949

This year Ezel School celebrates her twenty-fifth anniversary as a Christian Training Center in the mountains of eastern Kentucky. An enrollment of 425 in all twelve grades taxes our buildings to overflowing. A four-fold training program is carried out by a staff of twenty consecrated Christian workers. This year a Vocational Agriculture Department was added to our curriculum in cooperation with our County Board of Education. When the Board felt unable to build another building for the school we ventured out in faith again to build the necessary structure for Agriculture classroom and shop. The second semester saw it completed ready for use. Friends are continuing to respond to our call for help in a financial way.

The Used Clothing Department continues to perform its two-fold function of helping parents with the clothing problem and at the same time helping the school with a substantial income for maintenance and running expenses. A school lunch program that furnishes well-balanced noon lunches each day at a low cost and a full-time physical education emphasis for boys and girls help meet the physical needs of our boys and girls.

The Christian witness of the school is a part of each class, but it is emphasized in special ways. A well-graded course in Bible is taught in all the grades, elementary and high school, by well-trained Bible teachers. Twice a year we have a week of special religious emphasis which climaxes the daily chapel exercises. A youth group composed of high school students and faculty members has sponsored monthly Youth-for-Christ Rallies in Ezel. They have also gone out to rural schools to present Gospel meetings in neighborhoods where there are no regular church services.

Ezel School was deeply saddened this year by the sudden calling of two of our staff. "Uncle Sam" Williams, our faithful janitor since the school was established, died in the autumn after a lingering illness which had taken him from the performance of his regular duties. Then on February 3rd, Mr. Thomas Moore, our Recreation Director and Mathematics teacher and his son Churchill were killed in a tragic automobile accident. But even in these losses the Lord was magnified and lives of



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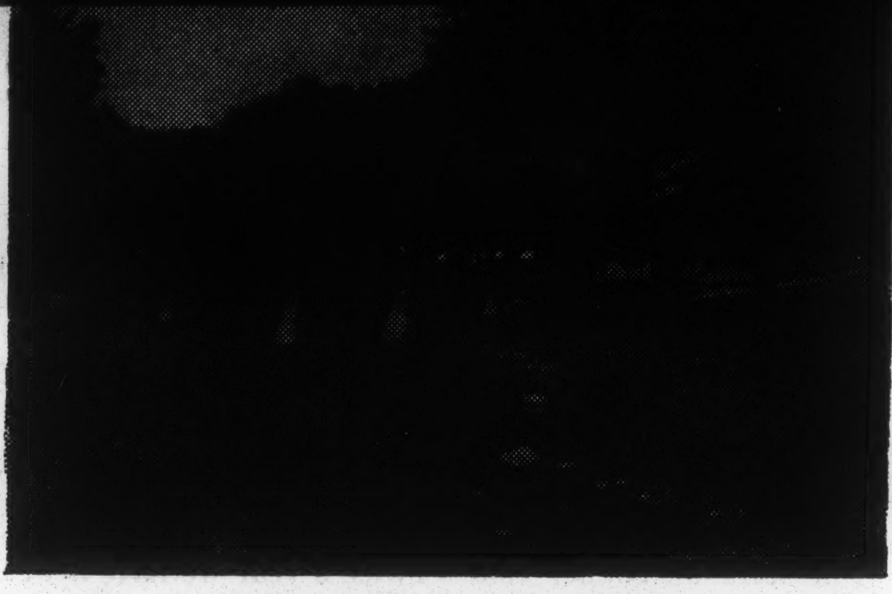


Campus Scene, Frenchburg, Kentucky

faithfulness and Christian witness live on with us.

We praise the Lord for His great goodness and humbly give thanks for the privileges that have been ours in another year in Ezel.

William A. Heagen

FRENCHBURG SCHOOL
1948-1949

Upon the completion of forty years of service to our God and to this community, we pause to see what great things God has wrought. We are reminded again that we have been placed here by our Great Leader and that we have a charge given to us to carry forward His work in this corner of the vineyard. How happy we are to have a part in His service, and to have the opportunity to make known His love and grace. The average high school enrollment for the year is 145, and that for the grade school, 180. The high school has the largest Freshman class in its history. There were 76 Freshmen at the beginning of the year. There are 19 members in the high school graduating class, and 40 in the eighth grade class.

The regular course of study prescribed by the state of Kentucky has been followed with Home Economics, Vocational Agriculture, Music and Bible having important places. The Vocational Agriculture program has included a night school for veterans with an enrollment of over 100. That program is financed entirely by the county with the help of the government. In music, there is training for all of the grades in the grammar school. The high school has a glee club and orchestra. Piano lessons are offered on two days of the week. A program of Physical Education was required this year of all students from the fifth grade through the twelfth. A man was employed to teach the boys and a woman for the girls. This has been a valuable program, and the results are seen in a better school spirit. The high school has used one-hour periods this year with a program of supervised study. The school received again the class "A" rating from the Kentucky Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges.

The staff consists of seven teachers in the grade school, and twelve in the high school. There are eight other full-time employees. Five are considered regular members of the staff. Since the erection of a building for the use of the grade school, the work of the grades has been placed under the supervision of a separate principal so that there is now a principal for the high school and one for the grades.

The new grade-school building was completed during the year, and occupied the beginning of the second semester. The use of this building has greatly increased the efficiency of the work. Both students and teachers are very happy and thankful for the building.

The second-hand clothing store has again rendered effective service to the community, and has been a great help in financing the school. Christmas boxes were packed for thirty families and distributed before Christmas. A hot lunch program available to all the students was begun in February. Lunches are served to an average of 200 students and teachers. The Frenchburg Reporter has been edited and published monthly during the school year. It has a circulation of 2550.

Ten boys and nineteen girls are in residence at the dormitory. All the staff members living on the campus eat in the dining room at least once a day. This makes a group of fifty or more at meals. Devotions are conducted in the dining room after breakfast and after dinner. Social times are planned by the house council of students and a committee of teachers. The housework in the dormitory as well as the janitor work of the other buildings is done by students. A sliding rate is paid for this work, with students who supervise others receiving the highest wage. An average of $329.30 is earned by these students in a month. We have been happy to have a cooperative group of dormitory students this year.

Daily chapel services are held throughout the school. There are three services held simultaneously. The first four grades meet alone. The upper four grades have their service and the high school meets alone. The pastor holds weekly chapel. Staff members conduct most of the services, but a number of students lead chapel in the grades and in high school. This affords a great opportunity for Christian training.

The following extra-curricular activities have been carried on: Future Farmers of America, Folk-games, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, National Forensic League, Orchestra, Glee Club, and Allied Youth.

The church with its activities forms a real part of our service. Twice a month evening services are held by members of the school staff. On these nights the pastor is preaching at Ezel. There are three missionary societies, and two young people's societies. Three rural Sabbath schools are held in the afternoons. Members of the staff and student body lead in all of these endeavors. On Sabbath afternoons various groups hold short services in the hospital.

Throughout the year we have been conscious of a fine spirit on the campus. This becomes especially evident in the student prayer meeting as well as in the staff prayer meeting in which school and hospital staff join. We are thankful to our Father for His many blessings and for His leading throughout the year. All praise to Him.

Arthur Gathman

"To the Hills I Lift My Eyes"

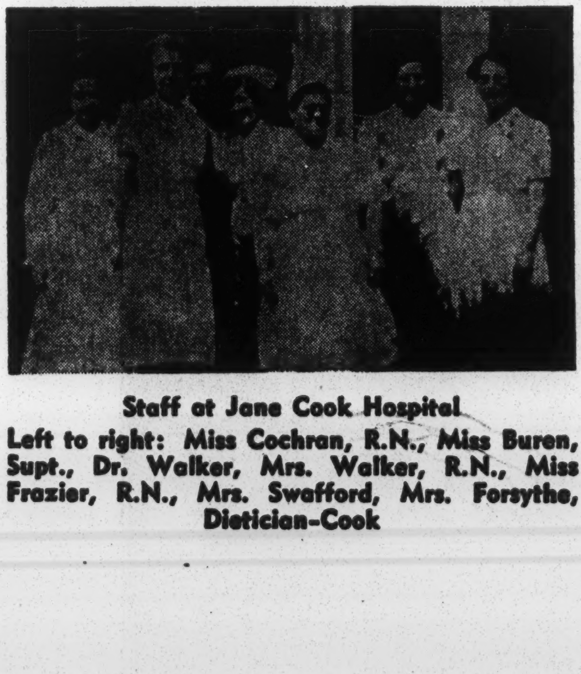
JANE COOK HOSPITAL

The report for the financial year of the Jane Cook Hospital is made on a nine-months basis as Dr. Crain left the latter part of May and it was not until the latter part of August that Dr. John W. Walker, Jr., came to take up his practice with us. The hospital as well as the doctor serves the entire county.

Patients come from a distance. While it was closed they had to go to distant hospitals and it did take some time for them to become accustomed to coming back here. I have found out at hospital meetings that closing a hospital is considered a major disaster. It is true there are always sick folks who need a doctor and some times quickly when a life depends on one. We had such an experience early this spring. The lady was being brought from thirty miles from here on her way to Lexington by ambulance. Just outside of town she had a bad hemorrhage and they rushed her in here. The two nurses spent most of the day with her, the doctor gave her blood we had on hand, also a transfusion from the ambulance driver and with several feedings she was able to continue to her destination.

The staff includes: Mrs. Thomas Forsythe, dietician-cook; two full-time registered nurses, Miss Mary Olive Cochran and Miss Effie Frazier; two full-time practical nurses, Mrs. Berna Phelps and Mrs. Zelpha Swafford. Mrs. Polly Walker who is also a registered nurse, helps with operations and when needed to relieve. We have two women who work in the laundry and one who does the cleaning. The nurses who live on the campus, the dietician and myself live here in the hospital. As I have often thought, we sleep, eat and work in the same building. It wouldn't ever be necessary for us to leave, only that it is too depressing. Our rooms are on the first floor and sometimes at night we wonder if we are going to sleep or if we should just continue to work on. It would be very nice, if, not too far in the future, there might be a home for the nurses on the campus so that we could leave our work behind and get away from the noise and commotion during our free time.

Miss Margaret Buren, Manager



Staff at Jane Cook Hospital
Left to right: Miss Cochran, R.N., Miss Buren, Supt., Dr. Walker, Mrs. Walker, R.N., Miss Frazier, R.N., Mrs. Swafford, Mrs. Forsythe, Dietician-Cook

EZEL AND FRENCHBURG CHURCHES

As we look back over the past year of the work of the church in our hills of Kentucky we have much for which to thank God. We have not seen the increase of church membership we desired but we have seen the Spirit working in the lives of the people. Dr. John R. Ralph, pastor of the Roney's Point, W. Va., United Presbyterian Church, conducted revival meetings in both Ezel and Frenchburg in the month of October. Several decisions were made for Christ as the result of the fine gospel messages that were given. Even more effective has been the quiet personal work among the students in school.

There have been very helpful Youth - for - Christ meetings each month in Ezel and the young people have gone out to the rural schools and churches for gospel services on the evenings when there was no Sabbath evening worship service. The Frenchburg young people have been witnessing to the patients in the

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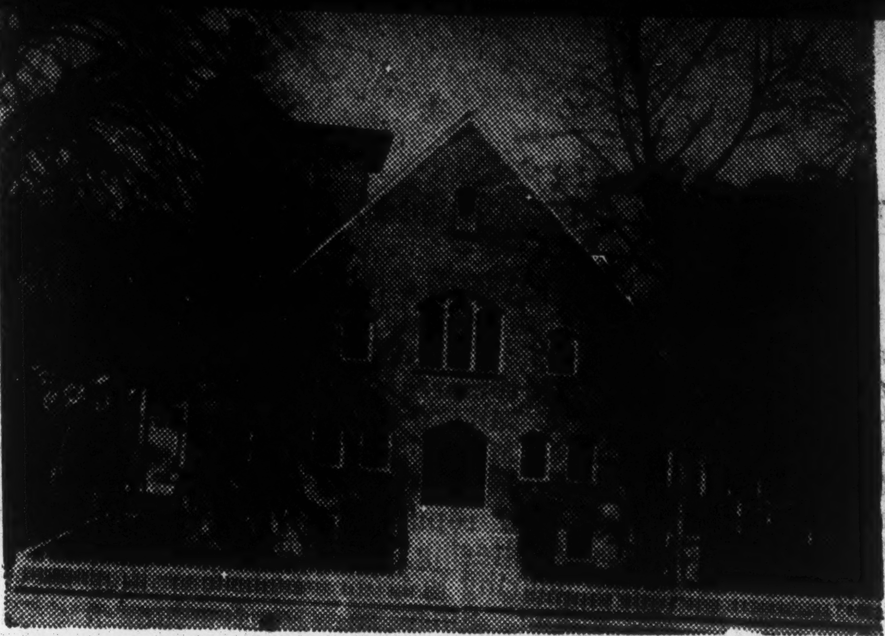

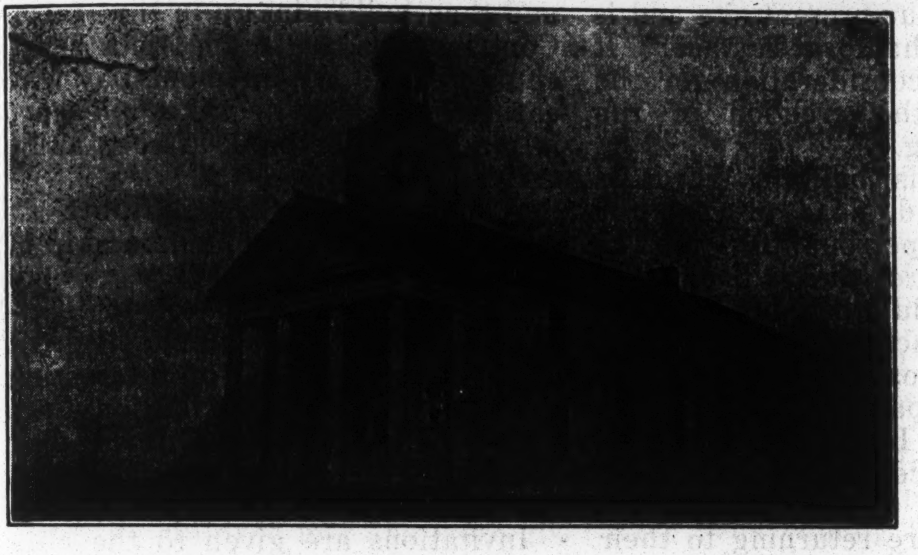

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Ezel,
Kentucky

Jane Cook Hospital in Bible reading, song and prayer. There have been other times of spiritual refreshment brought to us through the Gideons and other special speakers, including our S.S.M., Dr. Boyer. In the Frenchburg Church a worship service has been held on the Sabbath evenings the pastor preaches at Ezel by a worship committee appointed by the Session. There have been no night services in the other churches of the village. Both churches are wonderfully blessed by the help of the very fine consecrated Christian teachers in the schools.

The membership of the Frenchburg Church is now 88 and the Ezel church, 134. The Ezel church and school have been greatly saddened by the death of Mr. Moore and son, Churchill, in an automobile accident in February. Mr. Moore was a faithful worker in the church and was the choir director. We praise God for the sustaining grace manifest in the life of the bereaved mother and wife. This has been a great testimony in our community of the comforting power of Christ.

A splendid opportunity for witness over the radio was given the pastor and choir of the Ezel church in broadcasting messages from the Eastern Kentucky station, W.M.T.C. at Vancleve, Ky.

Two fine Christian men, Mr. John Besco and Mr. Jesse McMains, have been added to the Frenchburg Session.

We praise God for the blessings in both churches during the past year and for the hopeful assurance of greater blessings in the year ahead of us.

Ralph E. Ayers

SOUTHEAST ALHAMBRA

Building is always an interesting and wonderful process. Yesterday, a wish; today, an idea; tomorrow, a skeleton frame work and a few weeks later a village. Men's creative genius is removing old land marks of a century and replacing them with homes sheltering the thousands of people pouring in from all states in the union. Since reporting to you last year, another new village has sprung into existence close to our present site and is known as "Alhambra Terrace." It has caused reconsideration for the location for the erection of the church building.

Marvelous as building is, it is after all a cold, dead process, for villages have personalities, too. In these days of growth and boom, like a growing child, they need varied contributing factors to make them thrive and prosper. But most of all, their occupants need the spirit and life of the Lord Jesus Christ to give rest, peace and happiness in the making of many new adjustments. Many are returning to their old homes, in bitter disillusionment, not having found that which they sought, and little realizing that contentment is not found in places or things.

So we are giving ourselves to another building enterprise, and trust that a beautiful, unseen temple is in the process of erection—that of the immortal soul. This building, "with love and infinite care, planning each arch with patience, laying each stone with care," is being conducted for the children in the old and new community. One hundred and ninety-one children have been enrolled in these classes. All the teaching has for its definite aim and purpose to bring the life of Christ into the heart of each child and then build him up in that faith. Contributions are made to a small church bank. We have one boy who earns the money he takes pleasure in placing in the bank as soon as he arrives.

A Mothers-and-Others Club is also in progress with a membership of fourteen.

Many visitors are welcome, especially on pot-luck luncheon days, held for the purpose of interesting new prospects. Contributions are dropped in the Thank Offering box each week and a missionary program planned once a month.

Invitations are given to the children each week upon dismissal from school sessions, reminding them of the day, hour and location of their Bible club. Calls are made from house-to-house because of the constant turnover in our ever-changing world.

"When gone is the builder's temple,
Crumbled into dust;
Low lies each stately pillar,
Food for consuming rust.
The temple the teacher builded,
Will last while the ages roll,
For that beautiful unseen temple,
Is a child's immortal soul."

Ruth Elta Findley

SLOVAN MISSION

As I look over my "daily reminder" I believe it has been the busiest year and in many ways the most gratifying year since I began to work in Slovan.

Several times members were entertained in our home. One, a tired mother, came for a rest while others looked after her family; another, a boy convalescing from a serious accident; a former member came back for a visit and a number of young people came for meals and games in the evening.

With gas rationing over and with a new car we were able to make 24 trips to special services in other communities taking with us a group of young people. On the homeward trip the choruses are sung and the sermon is discussed and it is surprising when Juniors remember more of the sermon than the missionary.

The social side of our mission has been neglected this past year but we had a party for the mothers of the Cradle Roll and a party for the children. Three times during the year the children met and were given second-hand toys. Cookies and candy are given often at our Friday class and on Hallowe'en and Valentine. We were wonderfully remembered at Christmas with gifts from the Junior Exhibit, from Detroit, Toledo, Pittsburgh and individuals. I want to especially mention "Dorcas" who used her needle to make little dresses for girls.

In July three of our Juniors attended the Bible Conference of the American Sunday School Union at Laurelville. During the last two weeks of July we had our evangelistic services under the ministry of Rev. James R. Calhoun of the Moody Bible Institute. A service was held for the children in the mornings and for adults each night. A number of decisions were made and six united with the church at the fall communion and a number are planning to join this spring.

In August we were saddened by losing our pastor, Rev. R. C. Sutton who had been here for 23 years. The people of the mission had not known any other pastor and they were just bewildered. They keep asking, "Have they got a minister yet in Burgettstown?" but we are still hunting. May God give us a minister who has a passion for souls and is sympathetic to the New American. The pastor at Burgettstown serves also at Slovan.

In September we started a class at 3:30 on Friday for children of the first three grades. This class has continued during the year with the attendance seldom dropping below 20. They have learned many choruses, Bible verses and stories with a gospel message and at present we are teaching the life of Joseph on our flannelgraph board. We also organized a beginners class from this group. Mrs. William Ingersoll is teaching this class and helping on Friday.

Members attended Presbyterial and Prayer Retreat and a number have been coming to the Burgettstown church on Sabbath morning after attending in Slovan. We appreciate the services of Rev. John M. Scott for our Thank Offering service; also members of the Washington County Christian Endeavor who were our guests on Wednesday evenings. Our young people conducted the World Day of Prayer service and it was good to hear so many leading in prayer for definite things; also the testimonies of many to answered prayer in their lives.

I do not remember a time when the opposition was so bold or organized or when there were so many decisions and victories. But as one local minister said, "The persecution will make strong Christians" and that is true as they do not last long in Slovan if they are not genuine.

During the year I have made 314 home calls; taught the Friday class

Hamilton Avenue United Presbyterian Congregation

each week; taught Juniors each Wednesday evening at 6:30 and conducted prayer meeting and Bible study at 7:30. On Sabbath mornings I have helped in the Sabbath School wherever needed and conducted the Junior worship service at 10 o'clock. I realize that the number of home calls is low. This is due partly to the fact that many now have telephones.

I wish to thank the women of the church for their prayers, gifts and interest. We thank God for his blessings and we give to Jesus Christ all the glory as without Him we can do nothing.

Mrs. R. G. Russell

HAMILTON AVENUE U. P. CHURCH

Another year has passed and we are happy to report that the cooperation between our Youth groups and the older groups has revealed the advancement in the work of our mission church for the year. As ambassadors for Christ both groups are canvassing our district for non-church goers, inviting them to church. In so doing our mission is making an effort to win souls for Christ.

At the last Rally of the Monongahela Presbyterial the Forum Society of our church was awarded the banner for attendance. The Young People's Society has worked hard in developing motivating programs and socials to interest all their members and visitors. They have been well rewarded. We hope to have about eight persons join the Church on Easter Sabbath.

Two retired missionaries were our guest speakers for the Y.P.C.U. group. Miss Flora Jamison spoke on India and Miss Laura B. Walker spoke on the work in Egypt. Our attendance was good. Mrs. John P. White spoke last Sabbath to the Y. P.C.U.

We have cooperated with the churches in our district. During the summer months the Council of Churches had Community Services in the Park. Our church had a part in this service. At Thanksgiving all the Brushton Churches rendered thanks to God in a union Thanksgiving service.

We have invited other Youth

groups to join with us in several of our evening services. These meetings were also well attended.

For our congregational meeting and dinner Dr. A. E. Kelley brought a fine message on stewarship. He was so much impressed with our work that he offered to return to preach.

We close this year with the hope for a great and successful future for our share in the bringing in of the Kingdom of God. Will you pray for the work in this district.

Mary Ciancio

NEW YORK PRESBYTERY

On May first I came to the Elmont Church on Long Island to begin my work as the missionary for New York Presbytery. I was with the church for five months taking a survey of the community in order to invite the people there to worship with us each Lord's Day if they did not have a church to attend.

I found a number of people who did not have a church home, and we praise the Lord that some of these folks have answered the call thus coming out to church each Lord's Day. Our prayer is that more will come to worship in God's House and will find Christ as their Saviour.

While in Elmont I helped the pastor's wife each Tuesday afternoon with Junior Missionary Society. I also attended the Women's Prayer Service which met before the Junior Missionary Society. There we received a great blessing in fellowship with our Lord, and it was wonderful to see how the Lord answered our prayers for those who were sick or in need of the Lord's help in some way.

During the five months I was in the Elmont Church, I taught several of the Sabbath School Classes when the regular teacher was absent. I had charge of the devotions at the Women's Missionary Society, was leader a couple of times for the Young People's Meetings, and had charge of Prayer Meeting when the pastor was on vacation.

I taught the Primary Class a week during Daily Vacation Bible School which I enjoyed very much for the little children were interested in the work.

At the Young People's Summer Conference at Denton Lake, New York, I was one of the Bible teachers. Our theme for last year was *Following Christ*. We used for our study the book of Mark. This conference was for the New York Presbytery Young People.

The first of October I went to the Bethany Church, Bloomfield, New Jersey where I worked until the first of February. During the first three weeks I visited the families who have babies on the Cradle Roll. I also visited the parents who sent their children to our Sabbath School, but did not come to church themselves, inquiring whether they belonged to any other church in the community. If not, I invited them to our services, and we pray that many more will come to God's House each Sabbath where they will find Christ as their Saviour and King.

As I have gone from door to door in the different communities, I have found many who are hungry for the Gospel. I praise the Lord that I can tell them of One who can satisfy that hunger if they will trust in Him who is the Bread of Life.

At each home where they will accept them we leave the tract *This Is Important* and some information about the church where I am working. Please pray that the people who read these tracts will be saved.

While at the Bethany Church I spoke to the Couples' Club one night telling them about my work here in New York Presbytery. I had charge of the Young Peoples' Meeting once, and helped in the Nursery School one Sabbath.

Since coming to Kingslawn

Church in February I have been ringing door bells inviting those who do not attend church to come to worship in God's House each Lord's Day.

To date we have had one or two people come to our morning services, and we have had several new pupils come into our Sabbath School. For the past three or four weeks we have had children come to Sabbath School who have never attended before in their lives, and they are all around seven or eight years of age.

The Christian people here in Brooklyn have a great task before them as Brooklyn, the largest borough of New York City, used to be a "City of Churches" and is now becoming a "Pagan City" as these churches are being taken over by others. Some of them are being used for business places.

I have also taught different Sabbath School Classes here in Kingslawn when the teacher was absent. I help with the Junior Missionary Society once a month on Sabbath afternoon. I brought the message one Sabbath, and another day I told the children where their money goes that they give for the Junior Special.

In the past eleven months I have been asked to tell of this work in several of our churches here in the Presbytery.

I also brought the message in the forenoon to the women at the Spring Presbyterial, and to the Young Women at their Fall Rally.

It is a great opportunity to work for the Lord here in New York Presbytery for truly the fields are white unto harvest, but the laborers are few. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He send labourers into the Harvest."

Jean Dickey

CHANGE IT OR SPREAD IT

Any man who has a religion is bound to do one of two things with it, change it or spread it. If it isn't true, he must give it up. If it is true, he must give it away. This is not the duty of ministers only. Religion is not an affair of a profession or of a caste. It is the business of every common man. The true ideal of Christian evangelism is the propagation of Christianity, not by public preachers so much as by private conversation and the testimony of common men.

And no religious propaganda is likely to accomplish much that does not spring from, and rest upon, a family life visibly influenced by religion. If men talk about Christianity to their fellows and have religionless homes, or homes marked by unkindness, harshness, distrust, their talk is a sounding brass and clanging cymbal. When all our homes are evidently filled with the Spirit of Christ, then the gospel will spread as it will never spread from church or chapel.

—Robert E. Speer

REPORT OF

Negro Missions

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

THYNE INSTITUTE
CHASE CITY, VA.

Thyne Institute is both the first and the last of our mission interests. Of the secondary schools listed in this report, Thyne Institute came first, in 1876, just one year after Knoxville College. After the work was relinquished by the Board of American Missions and the dormitories supported by the W.G.M.S. were closed, we had no worker at Thyne. Last fall new work was opened similar to that being done in the Bible Department of Henderson, North Carolina. In this way Thyne Institute becomes our newest work.

Miss Grayce Salley teaches Bible in the grades. It is hoped that this can be extended into the high school. In this school Bible is a definite part of the curriculum for all pupils through the eighth grade. The department will give a Bible program for the community on the Sabbath before Baccalaureate. The pupils are interested for the most part and the parents very appreciative. Miss Salley's report follows:

"It is a pleasure to be giving this report to the Women's General Missionary Society, because the work I did at Thyne this year is an outgrowth of all of the mission work that has been done in this community since the founding of the school. Let me state at the outset that although it was necessary to secure the permission of parents before enrolling pupils in the Bible classes, this was done purely to satisfy legal procedure. Not one parent dissented. This school has been known for its religious influence, so the parents want it to continue. There are some who wish that we would return to the old habit of daily chapel in which were 15 minutes of Bible instruction for the whole student body. Suffice it to say that there were more than 200 pupils receiving Bible instruction. A voluntary high school class was started but there was so much conflict in the schedule of the pupils who wanted the instruction that it was forced to disband. This was a high school class that enrolled purely for the interest the pupils had in Bible, since no credit could be offered for the work.

Mrs. H. Ray Shear
Secretary of Negro Missions

"Recently there was in the magazine a tribute to Dr. F. W. Wilson, the former principal of this school. I wish to enlarge upon that tribute. Had it not been for the background that he gave me and all the people of this community, I could not have carried on my work so easily this year. May I state that this county is largely indebted to that man of God, because the majority of the teachers here are graduates of this school."

HENDERSON INSTITUTE
HENDERSON, N. C.

It will be remembered that the chief interest of the W.G.M.S. at this institute now centers in the Bible courses that have been added to the curriculum. The second year of this work is almost completed.

Mary Conley writes, "It seems only a little time since we dusted off the school desks and greeted the young people again. From the first day there have been accomplishments. There was greater enthusiasm than was evident the previous year. Without any hesitation, all students taking Bible, accepted the announcement by the principal that whoever took Bible would take it every day for five days in the week. Studying God's Word daily has enriched the lives of sixty-five high school students in a way that will prove to many a family and community, as well as to the individual, that *Christ Is the Way.* We are really learning of Him in the most concrete way. May God continue to guide church leaders in whatever work may be carried on here, whether hospital, church or school.

"At commencement time last year three of the graduates gave addresses. The first two were on secular themes, and were excellent. The third was on the theme, 'Religion.' A lady sitting next to me sighed, and uttered some words of appreciation for including religion. Many enjoyed that oration more than the others, even though the other speakers were stronger. This is another confirmation of the fact that Christianity is the most important possession in the individual's life. It must forever be planted and cultivated. There are no substitutes for the Immortal Christ. May He, as King of Kings, Lord of Lords, Divine Son of God fill the need of every heart and life which the United Presbyterian Church touches here! This is the prayer of a worker."

YOUTH CONVENTION
Eastern Section,
Tennessee Presbytery

The following news items were submitted by Miss Mary Conley and Miss Grayce Salley.

"On April 21st and 22nd we revived our Young People's Convention in this section of Tennessee Presbytery. It was held at Chase City, Va. Miss Salley and I got together for a conference on methods and materials for our Bible teaching work."

The program of the above mentioned convention had for its theme, "Learn of Me." The topics for discussion are indicative of the earnest endeavor of our workers in this sec-

tion. They were: "Concerning God"; "Concerning Worship"; "Concerning Salvation"; "Concerning Purity"; "Concerning Sabbath Observance"; "Concerning Stewardship"; "Concerning Service"; "Concerning Evangelism."

Every Christian will agree that these are fundamental topics which should be stressed throughout the church for youth and adults.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL HENDERSON, N. C.

Jubilee Hospital, at Henderson, has had another full year. The workers can be classified as follows: Administration 3, Dietary 5, General Duty Nurses 4, Aids and Orderlies 14, Technician 1, Total 27. Total patient days 10,496. Per capita daily cost $3.61, Total operations 465, Laboratory and X-ray Examinations 3001, Clinical Services 1550.

The above statistics cannot possibly give an adequate picture of the service of love and sympathetic understanding which pervades all the work from the kitchen to the operating room in this Christian hospital. Of the thirty-seven years of service for Jubilee, thirty-two have been under the direction of Mrs. Eva J. Adams, Superintendent.

KNOXVILLE COLLEGE KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

This year W.G.M.S. funds have supported four workers here—three matrons and a dietician. The number of students has increased. This made necessary the extra matron.

ALABAMA MISSIONS

Church Leadership

In a recent issue of the *Magazine*, a full report of the year's work in the churches of Camden, Miller's Ferry and Canton Bend was given by Rev. D. F. White. He still carries the load as supply pastor of these congregations, although he is retired and lives in Selma, Alabama.

Rev. C. C. Brown, of Selma, carries on enthusiastically at Prairie and Annemanie.

These two pastors are ably assisted by the principals of our schools who are elders in their respective congregations.

MILLER'S FERRY

Miller's Ferry reports that the work with the young people has been outstanding this year. The students have entered into the activities of school and church to a remarkable degree. Members of the Young People's Society presented a very in-

Contrasts

Principal's Cottage

Camden, Alabama

At the Steps of
Jubilee Hospital,
Henderson, N. C.

Left to Right:
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R. N., Supt.
Mrs. R. E. Barnett,
R. N.
Miss Montague, R.

teresting play on temperance at one school chapel period. The students participated in both the Sabbath School and Young People's Conventions, and acquitted themselves very creditably. The elementary department of the school gave a suitable program which high-lighted the spirit of Christmas as a closing event before the holidays. Christmas presents and treats, furnished by the good people of the northern United Presbyterian groups, sent the children to their homes in a joyful mood. The enrollment in the school is 290. There are 56 in the boarding department. Miller's Ferry is the oldest of all our mission stations in Alabama. Mr. N. D. Williams is the superintendent.

PRAIRIE

Prairie reports that the outstanding event of the year was the Daily Vacation Bible School last summer, under the guidance of the pastor, Rev. C. C. Brown. This activity brought together in Bible study and wholesome social life, not only the young people of our church, but others of the community who were anxious to participate. In addition to the fine training in Christian citizenship given to the classes, it afforded opportunity to several Prairie graduates to make use of their own leadership ability in making a definite contribution to this community enterprise. Mr. J. H. Cunningham, Miss Margaret Godbott and Miss Sara Louise Brooks, young people of Prairie, were leaders in this project. Miss Brooks, a junior in Spellman College, was made head of the school, and carried out the program with such intelligence, enthusiasm and dignity, as to bring joy to her many friends. Bibles were given by the pastor to those children whose work was most satisfactory. This picture of Prairie's work is more significant than statistics would be. Mr. William T. Peters is superintendent at Prairie.

CAMDEN

Superintendent A. C. Peoples writes: "'The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.'

Our thanks go to all those who have contributed to our work in various ways. We are truly grateful."

The enrollment at the close of the year is 574. The number of boarding students is 4. Five school busses and several private cars transport the pupils. A new dictionary, set of encyclopedia and other books have been added to the library. The music department has done outstanding work this year. The choir has furnished music for the church services. Members rendered an Easter Cantata, "The Cross of Redemption," in a very satisfactory manner.

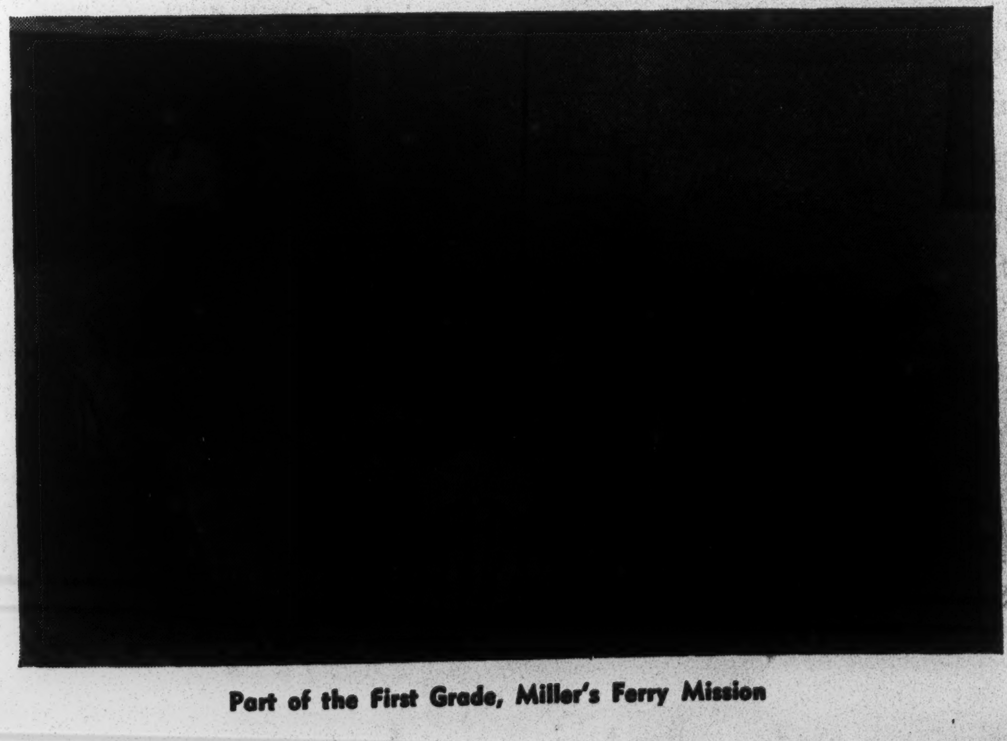
The various organizations of the church have functioned regularly and have been of real help in keeping up the life of the church, since we have only one preaching service per month. Thirty-two young men and women will receive certificates from the Bible Teachers' Training Course. They will also receive diplomas on Commencement Day, May 24, 1949.

ARLINGTON INSTITUTE

Arlington Institute at Annemanie has made many steps forward this year, according to the news that sifts through. This school is the responsibility of the Board of American Missions, and so close contact with the W.G.M.S. is not maintained. However, two matrons are supported by W.G.M.S. funds, and the women of the United Presbyterian Church are interested in this school also. Mr. Thomas, principal, writes:

"We are fortunate to be able to serve hot lunches for the first time to a larger number of boys and girls who otherwise would not receive a balanced diet each day. To serve large numbers would work a hardship on the kitchen matron; therefore, the matron of the girls aids in the preparation and the serving of the lunches. Through the Hot Lunch program we are trying to solve to some extent the vast problem of malnutrition among our school children and at the same time teach them table etiquette. At first we were handicapped for lack of dishes and tableware. But through the efforts of many Christian friends and missionary societies this was quickly solved. It is impossible for us to express as we desire our gratefulness to them. It is this kind of missionary spirit we are trying to instill in the children.

"Our church organizations are active. The Women's Missionary Society was able to send a representative to the Tennessee Presbyterial. It also, with the help of other organizations, raised $75.87 as Thank Offering."



Part of the First Grade, Miller's Ferry Mission

REPORT OF

Indian Missions

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

Work among the American Indians has always been slow and perhaps more so today. There are the problems of long standing: indifference, opposition, isolation, immorality, prejudice, gambling, drinking, government negligence and restrictions, unjust legislation, pagan traditional customs and beliefs, intrusion of fanatic religious groups, and absolute lack of belief—the failure to accept the truth, causing not only a lack of young Christian Indian leadership but also a lack of everlasting hope. All these problems are augmented today with the task of helping the Indian to choose only that which is good and right of our own civilization. These are merely some of the discouragements, disappointments and heartaches which challenge daily our missionaries to the American Indians. They are availing themselves of every opportunity to sow the seed of truth, especially in the hearts of the younger generation. With careful cultivation of this seed under God's divine guidance, and undergirded with your prayers a harvest will come for we are ever mindful of God's promise, "My Word shall not return unto me void."

During the year the Rev. and Mrs. John W. Wilson resigned due to Mr. Wilson's ill health. Mr. and Mrs. Fermer E. Plank were appointed early in the fall to take up the work which the Wilsons had so well promoted among our American Indian friends at Simnasho. Miss Pearl Bear who graduated in May of last year from Cook Christian Training School, helped with the Daily Vacation Bible School at Tama mission last summer. Early in the fall, she was appointed as Religious Education director of the government Indian Girls' Boarding School at Wheelock Academy, Millerton, Oklahoma. Mr. Louis Mitchell who is graduating this year from the Cook Christian Training School will continue with his theological training at Winona School of Theology this summer. He expects to take up his new work at the Tama mission, to which he has been appointed recently. The Rev. Fred C. Patterson, due to the need of a change in climate, is leaving the Tama mission the latter part of the summer, and has been assigned by the Women's Board to undertake our new work among the Navajo Indians in cooperation with the Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery
Secretary of Indian Missions

The Cherokee Mission which was destroyed by fire was rebuilt during this last year. The dedication service for the new church was held August 29, 1948. Building is already under construction for a six-room parsonage on the Cherokee mission property. The most urgent need in this promising field of service is for a permanent missionary.

Elijah Miller, who faithfully served as elder in the Warm Springs mission church for 40 years, died July 19, 1948. He has been greatly missed not only in his church which he loved, but in the community where he was respected and regarded as an outstanding Indian of fine Christian character.

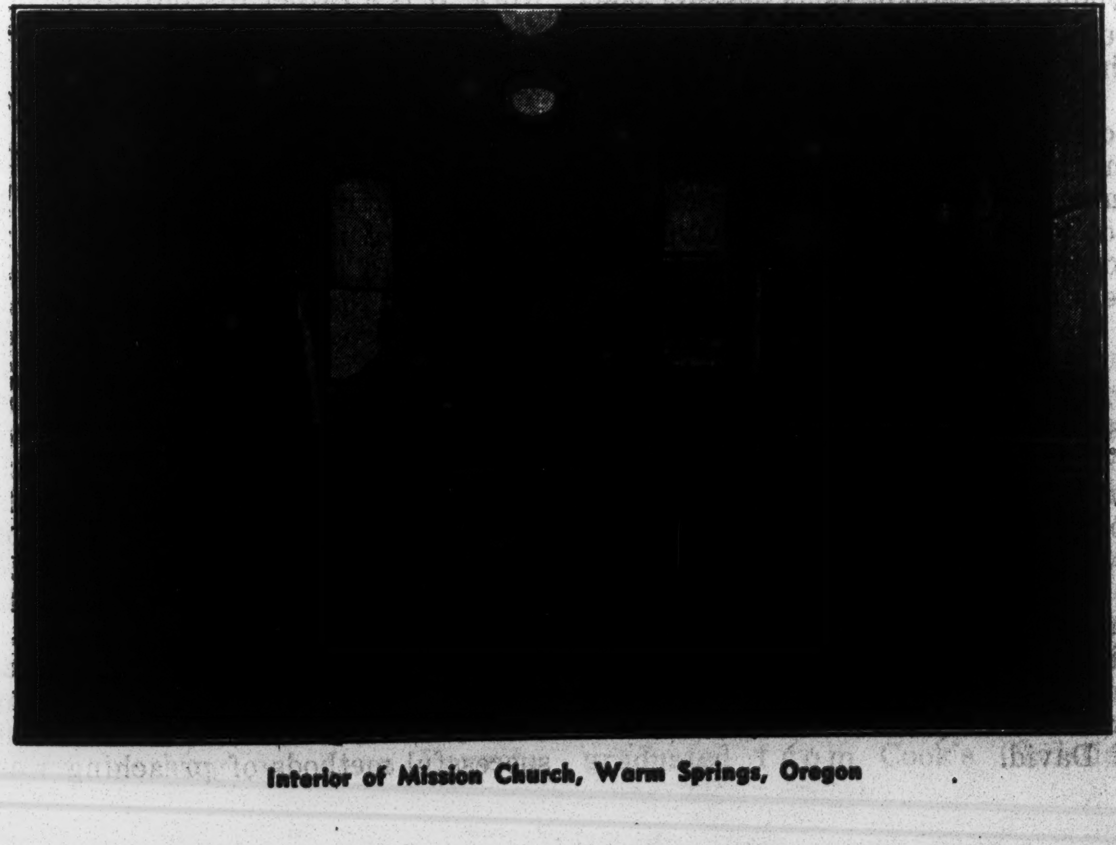
Visual Aid has played an important role in the work of the Indian Department this year. This type of ministry has a special appeal for the Indians as they are a picture-loving people. Each field is providing a set of colored slides portraying the life and work at each mission. Also a permanent library of filmstrip and slides for the study of Bible characters and various phases of the teachings of Jesus have been made possible this year for the missionary's use on the field through the Junior Special Gift to the American Indian department.

Our missionaries covet the prayers, interest and support of all the women of the Women's General Missionary Society for without them the work could not be carried on. May we share the missionaries' problems by being so fortified with the spirit of Christ in our own hearts that by His power, love, understanding and grace we may be moved to do His will in behalf of our American Indian friends.

WARM SPRINGS, OREGON

As we turn our thoughts backward over the year, we do so with humble hearts and minds. We think of the many things we had wanted to accomplish, but through indifference and opposition we have been hindered. However, we have been faithful in teaching and preaching the Word, and in many instances the Lord has added his blessing.

We made some changes in our services last September. Instead of having evening preaching services, we moved the preaching service up to 11 a.m., following our Bible School for the Agency government employees' and Indian day school chil-



Interior of Mission Church, Warm Springs, Oregon dren. Our attendances dropped down, but we feel the service has been more of a blessing to the community as a whole, than if held in the evening.

We have noted an increase in the number of children attending our morning Bible School. While we would like to have their parents come out to church also, we are thankful they send their children.

"Art Work of My People"

The Indian boys and girls from the boarding school come to Bible School in the afternoon. Heretofore they came at 11 a.m. This arrangement is not too good, but until we have class rooms and more teachers it seems the best thing to do.

On the Lord's Day evenings we have had Singspiration services, which have been fairly well attended, especially by the Indian children. Attendances averaged 34. Indian children, while not great singers, do love to sing and we enjoyed this hour with them.

Our usual Young People's meetings were held on Wednesday evening. We had an enrollment of 60 and an average attendance of 46. Part of this year we studied the life of David.

This year saw the passing of our last Indian Elder, Elijah Miller. How we miss him! At present there are no Christian men worthy of so high a calling. Our prayers are for local Christian Indian leaders.

We conducted 11 church funerals, three of which were military (boys killed overseas). At every funeral our Indians expect a sermon. Music is usually furnished by some of the Indians who like to sing.

We have called in the homes of our people, encouraged our Christians, reasoned with others, helped in cases of need, advised, counselled, and proclaimed the Word.

Two new government families moved in this year, adding two new teachers to our Bible School. We had been praying for teachers, and we give thanks to God for answered prayer.

We want to thank again the many societies, classes and friends that have remembered our work in prayer, letters, and gifts. We deeply appreciate your kindness toward us. Please continue to remember your missionaries in the American Indian work. It is a rather discouraging, but very necessary field of endeavor for the Lord.

Rev. E. W. Machamer

SIMNASHO, OREGON

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it" Isa. 55:11. Although we have at the writing of this report not been on the field six months, we are coming to make this verse a key in our ministry here. Hearts seem adamant in their rejection of the gospel, but we know that He who is in us is greater than he who is in the world.

It is our aim to constantly keep before these people the good news that there is a Saviour. One of the most successful methods of preaching was the motion picture program at which there was an average attendance of 40 in spite of bad weather and roads. Twenty is a good attendance at church. They liked the travelogues, especially those dealing with Indians. The major picture would be a Cathedral film on the life of Christ. This program was costly, averaging $10 a week, paid from funds received from churches from time to time in the past and from funds from the sale of items sent to the mission. We are praying that there will be funds to permit our carrying on this program in the future.

Because of the extremely cold weather the last week in January and the first week of February, the day school was closed. We took advantage of the situation and had a "vacation" Bible school to which most of the neighborhood children came. The life of Jesus was studied.

The Thursday night children's meetings were continued. The usual program included songs, a contest in finding Bible passages, and a flannelgraph story covering the high points of the entire Old Testament. This was followed with games.

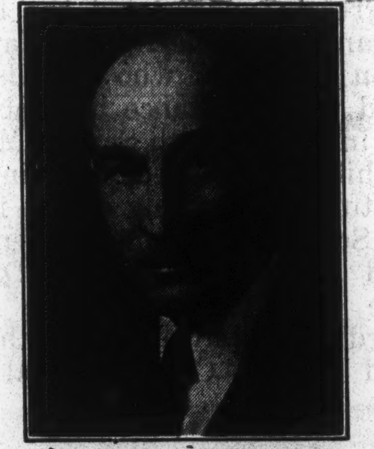
Again this year Shakerism with its meetings for drinking, dancing, and worship of a lighted cross has been Satan's chief tool for keeping the people from listening to the gospel. Shakerism satisfies the need for a religion, but does not satisfy the longings of the human heart. We trust that the readers of this report will continue to pray that the Holy Spirit will use the seed that is sown to bring forth fruit unto life eternal.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Plank

NEW WORK AMONG THE NAVAJO

The Rev. and Mrs. Fred C. Patterson of Tama, Iowa, in response to one of the most serious conditions of our nation, are planning to undertake new work the latter part of the summer among the Navajo Indians, working out from Kayenta, Arizona to Chilchinbito to the south and to Oljato to the north. After making a recent survey of that semidesert area of Navajo land, Mr. Patterson found a tragic picture not only of want but more especially of great need for the Gospel.

A cooperative plan of work has been arranged by the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and the W.G.M.S. of the United Presbyterian Church permitting Mr. Patterson to work in that part of the Navajo Reservation that has been assigned to the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and at the same time retain his full relationship with the United Presbyterian Church. We ~~shall follow with sincere~~ prayer and with keen interest this great undertaking among people in our own country, the Navajo Indians, who are confronted with abject poverty and spiritual destitution.



Rev. Fred C. Patterson

TAMA, IOWA

One thing that stands out for us here at Tama as we think through the year under review is the large number of donations received. Two hundred eighty-eight societies, Sabbath Schools, and individuals have sent us some kind of donation during the year. You have been generous with us and we thank you. We have tried to put your gifts to good use in our work.

In May, 1948, Miss Pearl Bear graduated from Cook's Christian

Training School, Phoenix, Arizona. While here at home during the summer she helped us with D.V.B.S. and in the general work of the Church. October 1 she began work as Religious Education Director for 128 Indian girls in Wheelock Academy, Millerton, Oklahoma. While this is a government school Pearl is working under our Women's Board. The Mesquakie United Presbyterian Church here is pleased to have one of its members be the first Indian from our own mission fields to receive appointment as a missionary. We look forward to having another from this congregation and tribe when Louis Mitchell finishes his preparation this summer.

Our Daily Vacation Bible School was marked last summer by regular attendance, 34 average out of an enrollment of 36, which made possible substantial work in lessons learned. We greatly appreciated the help of a volunteer teacher, Mrs. Ward Anderson of Tama, who has also continued this assistance by teaching a class in our Sabbath School. Many of the children had been working on a Scripture memorizing course in Sabbath School and some of them completed the course during D.V.B.S. Three girls took advantage of the reward offered by attending the Iowa Synod Family Conference at Clear Lake in August.

We were encouraged near the close of the year by an ingathering of nine into the membership of the church through profession of faith in Christ, eight of these receiving baptism. One had been baptized as an infant. As each of these signed the roll of the congregation and was baptized, as the other members came forward to welcome them into the church, and as we sat together at the Lord's Table, we rejoiced in the presence of our Lord to bless us. Seven of those received were from the Junior department of our Sabbath School. We had spent four months in preparing them for that step and that service. Instead of having one central communicant's class at the church for all, we had met with them in their homes, including the whole family in the lesson period wherever that was possible. Pray for all of us and especially for these young people that their lives as Christians may witness for the Saviour.

Rev. F. C. Patterson

FORWARD STEP IN INDIAN WORK

The opportunity for actual Christian service among his own people, the Mesquakie Indians has opened up for Mr. Louis Mitchell in the

Indian Tepees

possibility of taking over the work at the Tama Mission where the Pattersons have laid a firm foundation. This great step forward is significant in connection with our Indian work in that Mr. Mitchell represents the very first of our U.P. American Indian young men to launch out into the field of the ministry. It is our prayer that both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell may be blessed as they labor together as missionaries among their own people in the Mesquakie United Presbyterian Indian Mission of Tama, Iowa.

CHEROKEE MISSION
STILWELL, OKLAHOMA

It was an occasion of great joy and rejoicing when news reached the Stilwell community that their Cherokee mission church, which was destroyed by fire last year, was to be rebuilt. Mr. Charles Sanders, a native of the Cherokee Mission and also a student of Sterling College, ably carried on the mission work last summer, constructing a Brush Arbor where the Sabbath School, Worship and Young People's services were held while the new church was being built. On Sabbath, August 29, 1948, the people of the community dedicated their new church to Christ. The impressive dedication service was conducted by the Rev. Harold E. Lobaugh and several of his members from the First U.P. Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Although the Cherokee mission is as yet without a regular missionary, the people there are putting forth every effort to carry on the work of their Lord. They have maintained an average attendance of 40 at the Worship services. Their efforts have been wonderfully blessed by God. During this past year nine have accepted Christ as their Savior. Besides Mr. Charles Sanders, Mr. Nobel Casey, a lay missionary and a wonderful worker for Christ, has been carrying on faithfully since last autumn.

The Mission also felt wonderfully blessed with the abundance of gifts and donations that were received and especially at Christmas time which helped to make their Christmas season a very happy occasion. These people have shown a fine Christian spirit in their efforts to do all in their power to help themselves. They have enjoyed sharing in the providing of the necessary equipment of their new church and by keeping the church grounds clean and by putting out shrubs and flowers.

In October the ladies organized a Women's Missionary Society. They have already gathered a Thank Offering which is a special Love Offer-

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Warm Springs,
Oregon

ing to further God's Kingdom as an expression of their sincere appreciation of what has been done for them through the efforts of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Work has already begun for the building of a new parsonage on the Cherokee Mission property. It is our sincere prayer that permanent Christian leadership may be secured for this fine group of Cherokee and white people, who are not only appreciative but enthusiastic, sincere and devout Christian people who are literally crying out for spiritual food.

WHEELOCK ACADEMY
MILLERTON, OKLAHOMA

The Wheelock Academy for Indian girls was originally a mission school founded in 1832. Later it was turned over to the government which has since maintained it. Besides their religious and school training, they learn to do various things in housekeeping, sewing, washing, ironing, cooking and baking. There are about 125 Indian girls enrolled, ranging from the first grade through the eigth grade. The school has a beautiful campus surrounded with fir, oak, pine and magnolia trees. The dormitory houses all of the children. They also have a large white frame school building, the Home Economics and Arts and Crafts log houses, besides the Club building which is the teacher's quarters.

Miss Pearl Bear, a member of our Mesquakie Indian Mission Church at Tama, Iowa, and a recent graduate of the Cook Christian Training School was placed last fall in the Wheelock Academy among these Choctaw Indians as their Religious Education director. A definite step forward has been realized in the fact that Miss Bear represents the first of our own United Presbyterian Indian girls to be engaged in actual Christian work. Her religious program at Wheelock includes besides the special religious services at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, a Sabbath School Teachers' class in preparation for the regular Sabbath School classes on Sabbath morning, the Sabbath morning Worship services at the Academy, the Young People's Meetings Sabbath evenings and the Bible Study classes which are carried on in the evenings during the week days. The Indian girls are taught to assist in these meetings. The Young People's Meetings are varied programs of Song, Bible Quiz, a Scripture Reference-finding Contest, flannelgraph Bible Stories and Bible Story telling. The children are also enthusiastic, attentive and much interested in their newly organized Bible Study classes.

The donations and prayers from the various missionary societies are appreciated and have been a great help in carrying out this most worthwhile religious program for the American Indian children of Wheelock Academy.

Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery,
Secretary of Indian Missions

CHEROKEE
INDIAN

REPORT OF

Foreign Missions

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

"His compassions fail not,
They are new every morning;
Great is Thy faithfulness."

With this assurance we glance back over the past year with its varied experiences, thank God, take courage, and look hopefully to the new year, trusting His never-failing compassion and great faithfulness.

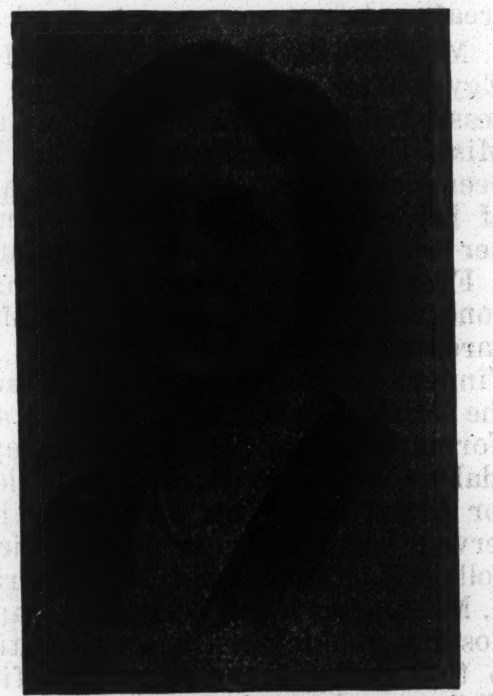
The Foreign Missions Advance program in chosen centers throughout the country brought three teams to the Pacific, Mid-West and Eastern areas, who returned with a report of hearty welcome and much interest wherever they went. We pray God that this effort may prove a blessing and advance His Kingdom.

Mrs. J. D. Sands was called to her reward on January 24, 1949. Her going has left a lonely place in our hearts; we miss her gracious manner, her wise counsel and keen memory. But we rejoice in her coronation and her record for faithful, loving service for her Lord, having served on the Women's Board for thirty-seven years, twelve years of which she was Foreign Secretary.

In all our Missions there has been faithful witness and sincere devotion to duty. Work in the churches, schools, villages, hospitals and clinics has been carried on by a very limited staff of workers and in the face of difficulties, but with a sincere and tireless devotion. The training of native personnel has progressed and wherever possible they have been used in the various lines of work, where their training could be used for their own people. The work of translation and of teaching adults, as well as children to read, has opened up great opportunity for placing the Word of God into their hands. In all our fields adult literacy and audio-visual presentations have proven a great blessing, but with this has come the need for equipment, personnel and appropriations for furthering these media for making Christ known, loved and obeyed.

PAKISTAN—INDIA

The Mission rejoices in the freedom of these two independent nations, but regrets the terrible aftermath of violence and death, which has created serious problems. Church World Service has been a great blessing, and the Mission's relief program has been faithfully carried on by our missionaries.



Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
Secretary of Foreign Missions

The latest appointees, the Misses Edith M. Drake, Dorothy M. Fisher and Elizabeth H. Turner, R.N., have been studying the language and helping as they have opportunity.

Dr. Mabel Rose Massey, an Indian doctor in Sialkot Hospital, expects to come to the United States for postgraduate work in October, 1949.

EGYPT

The thinning of the ranks by retirement, death and extended furlough has caused alarm as to the future. Miss Margaret A. Bell of Egypt was called to meet her Lord, after a year's lingering illness, to receive her reward for faithful, devoted service. Miss Ulrica Liggitt, a beloved short-termer in Pressly Memorial Institute for twenty-four years, was called Home. Miss Leota Cabeen retired from active service in Egypt and is being benefitted by treatments.

Miss Marie F. Tait returned to Egypt after an extended furlough necessitated by her parents' illness and Miss Evelyn McFarland, who has been detained in the States because of her own illness, plans to resume her work in Egypt in a few months.

Five short-term missionaries have gone to Egypt this year: Miss Margaret Bark to help Dr. Davida M. Finney in literature and literacy; the Misses Faith E. Hamilton and Norma Lee Squires of our Nampa, Idaho, church to American College for Girls; Miss Lois M. Finney has served her first year in American College for Girls; and Miss Shirley A. Moss, after a long wait, is in Tanta Hospital making a fine contribution to the work of the hospital office. While regular missionaries are urgently needed, we appreciate the willingness of these short-term workers to serve where they are so greatly needed.

NORTH SUDAN

Miss Carolyn E. Brewer, a short-term Home Economics teacher in Khartoum North G.B.S., finished her contract and has become a regular missionary. Miss Alice Ruth Gabel of West Allis, Wisconsin Church has been appointed a regular evangelistic missionary and will accompany Miss Brewer to Khartoum North this fall.

It is with sincere regret that Miss Aulora R. McIntyre cannot return to Wad Medani. Her Bible teaching and the prepared lessons are a fine contribution and we honor her for her part in making Christ known.

SOUTH SUDAN

Miss Joan E. Yilek is the first W.G.M.S. missionary to the Anuak tribe; Miss Eleanor C. Vandervort and Miss Phyllis A. Rogers are under appointment, and after study at Wycliffe School of Linguistics this summer will go to the field in the fall. The missionaries of the Reformed Church in America have been joyously welcomed as worthy comrades.

ETHIOPIA

Miss Mary Nell Harper, R.N., and Miss Marguerite M. Lienard, a teacher, new appointees, have tried to make waiting profitable. They expect to sail this summer.

The Women's Board is responsible for the salary of 104 missionaries (97 are on the field or on furlough, 6 are new regular appointees and one re-appointed) and for pension for 19 retired missionaries. There have been 17 short-termers sent by the Board in two years. Besides salary, there are expenses of travel, language teachers, and the maintenance of all institutions under the W.G.M.S. This is made possible only by the devotion and faithfulness of the women, their interest and intercession, regular gifts and Thank Offering. Many missionaries have no promised support and they miss that Christian fellowship.

The Board grants a bonus for missionaries for increased living costs, shares medical expenses, provides language teachers, grants vacation allowances, and pays tuition and transportation for furlough study and preparation. Miss M. Lois Boyd of Pakistan studied at Scarritt College; Miss Ray Huffman of Nasir, South Sudan, at Kennedy School of Missions; Miss Joan E. Yilek at Biblical Seminary, Miss Carolyn E. Brewer at Pittsburgh-Xenia Seminary and at Ames, Iowa; and Miss Evelyn McFarland at Scarritt College.

To all of you who have helped by prayer, interest, and gifts we are very grateful. Problems facing our missionaries in the various fields are difficult, but with God all things are possible. The following pages give brief messages from the various missionaries and a careful reading of them will give a resume of the work. Pray that God will supply the workers and funds necessary for entering doors He has opened.

Who can read the story of these ambassadors of Christ in all these Mission fields without thanking God for such loyal, devoted laborers and wanting to have a share in the work.

Mrs. Arthur B. McBride,
Secretary of Foreign Missions

"If I have eaten my morsel alone!"
The patriarch spoke in scorn:
What would he think of the church, were he shown
Heathendom, huge, forlorn,
Godless, Christless, with soul unfed,
While the church's ailment is "fulness of bread,"
Eating her morsel alone?

"I am debtor alike to Jew and the Greek!"
The mighty apostle cried;
Traversing continents souls to seek
For the love of the Crucified.
Centuries, centuries since have sped,
Millions are famishing, we have bread,
But we eat our morsel alone.

"Ever of them who have largest dower
Shall heaven require the more!"
Ours is affluence, knowledge, power,
Ocean from shore to shore;
And East and West in our ears have said
"Give us, give us, your loving bread."
Yet we eat our morsel alone.

"Freely as ye have received, so give!"
He bade, who hath given us all:
How shall the soul in us longer live
Deaf to their starving call,
For whom the blood of the Lord was shed.
And his body broken to give them bread,
If we eat our morsel alone?

—The Bishop of Derry

East Punjab, India

The Ministry Of Preaching

PATHANKOT CITY AND DISTRICT

Early in the year the refugee camps in and near Pathankot were all closed and our work among those refugees stopped. The Hindu and Sikh refugees in Pathankot who have been allotted Muslim houses continue to be good listeners when we visit with them.

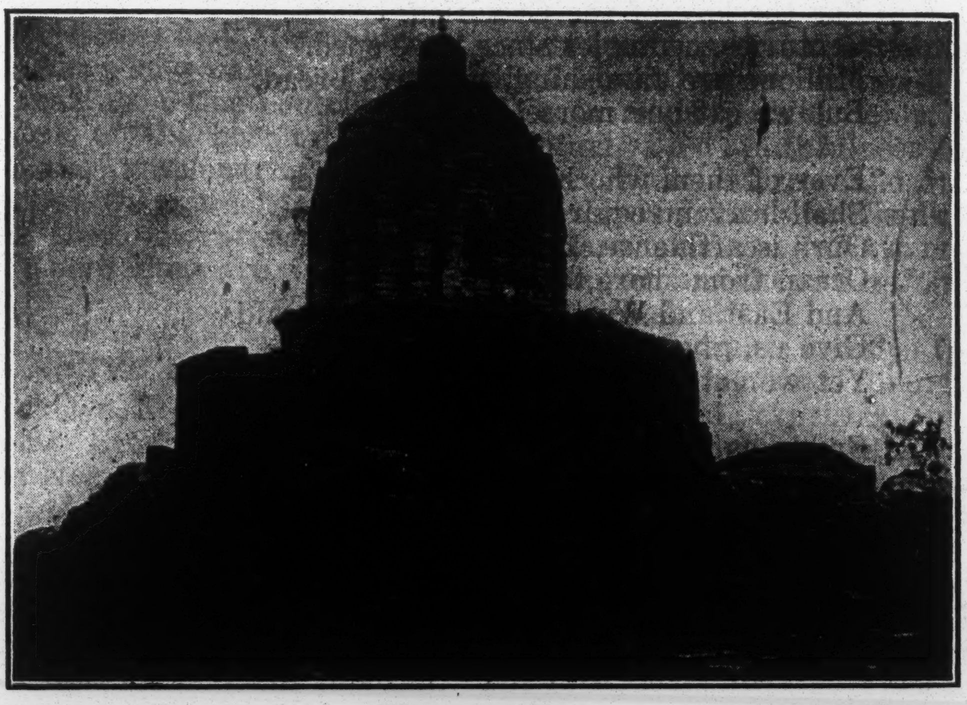
In June, before permits were required, we were able to make a trip across the Ravi river into Jummu state to visit in the two big Christian centers where we had not been for years. The people thought that we had had to leave the country when British rule ended in India's freedom. How pleased they were to find us still here and ready to help them. Shortly after we were there, a new ruling made it impossible for us to cross the river without special permit and we have not been back.

This fall we were permitted to take our camp out into the District to work in the villages on this side of the Ravi river. This year Synod's Bible Course was on *Christian Witness* and it was from this course that we taught in the Christian meetings. Many of these village Christians realized for the first time how necessary it is for them to live their witness day by day with their non-Christian neighbors and employers as well as to testify by word. Also many seemed to understand as never before the need for trying to win the non-Christians into Christ's kingdom to save them from being eternally lost.

Vivian L. Trimble

GURDASPUR CITY

Many minority groups, including the Christians are experiencing great apprehension for their future. Though there has been much suffering from lack of employment, floods in some localities and exorbitant prices of grain and cloth, the Lord has wonderfully cared for His own. Christian relief through the churches



A Hindu Temple

in America has saved many lives and through it non-Christian India has seen (and in some cases confessed) that there is a stronger bond in Christianity than they had known.

Our pastor here in Gurdaspur made the request that, since public preaching is becoming more difficult, we preach at Christmas by lighted candles on our verandas. So there were many hundreds of silent preachers sending forth the light in this manner. The old custom of caroling from door to door was revived.

The most definite evangelistic work I have had the opportunity to participate in this year has been among children. From twenty to thirty-two, ranging from four and a half to ten years of age, have learned the Scripture in song and story six days a week. The prayers, Psalms, choruses and hymns they have learned, sung and said can never be entirely erased from their hearts. I coveted the close contacts with homes and mothers which came with these little ones and I pray they will not be without spiritual values.

Three Christmas rallies were held the day before Christmas, one of twenty-two non-Christian children who gave in song the Christmas story for an audience of mostly non-Christian women and a few men. The other two groups of twenty-two and twenty-five were Christian children from the Christian section of the city and the compound.

On Christmas afternoon a group of fifty-five Christian service men met on the mission compound for tea and social fellowship. The pastor and an elder guided their thoughts in spiritual lines and many songs were sung in several languages. When they departed several expressed a desire to meet again in such fellowship.

Indian Christians need your prayers today for there is a great temptation because of their minority and the innate desire for superiority, to attempt to hide or change their identity.

Georga Wengert

A Christian Church

The Ministry Of Teaching

PATHANKOT AVALON HIGH SCHOOL

Many changes have taken place in India and here in Pathankot during my absence. It seemed strange to find no Mohammedan girls in the school. And it seemed strange not to find the dormitories full of girls. We miss our Christian girls who were with us and now cannot come because they live on the other side of the border. It seemed tragic at first to think that we could no longer serve our own Punjab Church by giving her girls this high school education. The majority of our girls in the boarding house came from the section that is now Pakistan. We had about 130 in the boarding house. Now we have only about half that many but we are growing again, and God has opened up new plans. One of these is the opportunity to help girls from other missions who are cut off from their schools in Pakistan. We have quite a number who were in Methodist and Church of England schools.

Another avenue of service has been grasped this last month for we have opened a Normal department. This will be a two-year course. The Training School which our girls have been attending is in Lahore, Pakistan. It seemed fitting to attempt to fill the need expressed by the missions on this side. The Canadian Mission, the Presbyterian, and the Church of England are cooperating and we are hoping to be able to develop a good Training School. The Presbyterian Mission has promised the services of Jai Kaur Ishwar Singh for a period of three years starting next Spring when she returns from America. She received her Master's degree in Education from Columbia Teachers' College and in Religious Education from Biblical Seminary. She has had experience in teaching in the Training School in Lahore so will be well prepared for this work. We are looking forward to her coming.

We started our first Normal class

The Avalon High School Staff — April, 1947

Avalon
High School,
Pathankot,
India

in December with 19 girls. The majority of the girls this year are Hindus as most of the Christian girls of last year's class were already settled before it was decided to start the school here. It is a new experience for us to have Hindus in the boarding house, but they are fitting in very well. A few of them take only the vegetarian food, but it is all prepared in the same kitchen. There is certainly a changed attitude in the new India.

Vida J. Graham

AVALON HIGH SCHOOL

As I look back over the past year I can sum it up by saying it has just been holding on.

There was need of holding on first of all to the property. A year ago we had over 1,000 refugees in our school and we were working almost night and day to keep them from ruining everything. February first the Government ordered them out and the camp closed just as suddenly as it had been opened. You can hardly imagine what a task it was to prepare the place for school to begin the first of March. At other times during the year we have been afraid school or district bungalows might be requisitioned but we have managed to hold on to all three of them.

Then it was holding on and doing the best we could to keep up the scholastic standard with a greatly reduced staff. The few faithful ones we had rose loyally to the occasion and gave up free periods to help. I had to teach more than I could handle well. Former teachers and students who came to visit were pressed into service—if even for only a few days. The girls have suffered from all this changing of teachers. People still seem to be willing to trust their girls to us, for our enrollment is increasing.

Also it has been holding on in the face of the anxiety that the work on this side of the border might be closed. We praise God that He has heard our prayers and the time of

The Pathankot Church. Just across the road from the Avalon School holding on alone is over and Miss Graham has been allowed to return. Since her coming the dream of having a Teacher Training class in connection with the school has materialized and we hope that we will be able to grasp more of the many opportunities for service.

Willa M. Ramsey

DHARIWAL GIRLS' SCHOOL

The Dhariwal Girls' school had 181 on the roll. Fourteen went up for the eighth class examination of whom eleven passed.

Every Saturday morning one group of twenty-nine girls meets as a Young Women's Missionary Society. Ten of these are Christians and nineteen are non-Christians but all take turns at leading the meeting, reading the Scripture, etc. A similar group of twenty-five non-Christians and nine Christian girls meet as a Junior Missionary Society. The girls had a part in the annual Thank Offering service which was held in the school compound.

During the year the girls knit 80 pounds of wool into sweaters and pullovers for refugees. The teachers, along with other Christian women of the community made 50 pounds into sweaters.

For two or three months the teachers visited nearby villages and helped in the distribution of milk to poor children.

(*Mrs. C. A.*) *Jeanette H. Stewart*

The Ministry Of Healing

ELLIOTT DISPENSARY, PATHANKOT

A plaque on our verandah reads, "Opened in 1913"—Thirty-five years of service for this dispensary! This year we have carried on without a doctor. The Bible Woman, the Avalon school nurse and I were the staff. The Bible Woman daily told the wonderful stories of God's love and Christ's sacrifice. Many have learned to sing Psalms and hymns. She visits in their homes and has made many contacts in the city. The dispensary is opened only in the morning so the school nurse gives this time for our work. As she treats their ailments, dresses their sores and gives advice to young mothers, many of them unburden their hearts to her and she gives a wonderful testimony of the peace and comfort she has in Christ as her Saviour.

Bringing a patient many miles to a hospital in India

One day last summer I arrived to find everything humming. The Bible Woman whispered that a young woman had just arrived and that the nurse had delivered her of her first baby. She had been three days in labor and could not get any medical help, so they put her on a rope bed and four men carried her to the dispensary. One of the women who was with her had been to the dispensary before and so brought her to us. That same evening the men came and took her and her new baby back home on the bed. The other day the mother and baby, both looking hale and hearty, came in to visit us.

I have been impressed by the number of men and women who have called at the dispensary these past weeks to give us a "Thank Offering" for the medicines and kindness we showed them when they were homeless. A year ago we had befriended a young mother whose baby had been born on the roadside. Her father brought me some fruit and two rupees. The money was to buy medicine like I had given to his daughter but I was to give it to another needy mother. "Remember I came one night and asked you for medicine for ten or twelve days as we had to move on with the caravan and you gladly gave me enough for fifteen days. That medicine saved both her life and that of the baby and we shall always remember it."

And so it goes at Elliott. We are thankful we still have dry milk and Multi-Vit, pills to give to the needy. It is indeed more blessed to give than receive.

Jane Lamont

SANAWAR TUBERCULOSIS SANITARIUM

The far East is always a study in contrasts. This has been especially true for me during the past year. From living and working in busy Sialkot on the Pakistan "plains," in routine medical work—to being surgeon and superintendent in a Tuberculosis Sanitarium in the Indian Dominion at an altitude of 4800 ft. Yet one deals with the same human nature. Wherever one is there is always the interesting and sometimes complicated problem of the interaction of personalities. Even more is one aware of the spiritual needs of the sufferers of this chronic illness and their need of comfort and faith in Him. Do pray with us for an Evangelist of God's choosing to lead the patients to Him.

Hospital Doorway in India which offers healing, sympathy and Christian love.

The distant snow-covered mountains, the varying hues and glows of blue, brown and green on the hillsides are examples of, "He giveth us richly all things to enjoy." There can be lurking fear in the nightly cry of the hyena, the advancing yellow fury of the forest fire, the piercing cold of the wind howling through the pine trees. These stir the surface waters; but deep beneath is the peace of our Saviour's abiding love.

The daily work with the shortages of staff occupies most of one's time and energy. Many people think that T.B. patients require only bed rest but we need to use all modern forms of collapse therapy. They require plenty of attention and reassurance. Quite a few of those who can afford it are getting that new American wonder-drug, Streptomycin.

Helen Sharp, M.D.

Pakistan, West Punjab

The Ministry Of Preaching

BADOMALI DISTRICT

"I was an hungered . . . naked . . . sick . . . in prison, and ye came unto me." These words describe my work for the year. We have not actually gone to prisons, but there have been many cases of missionaries helping Christians in official matters as well as bringing understanding between them and the masses of incoming refugees. I have not been hindered in giving the joyful news to Mohammedans. In their homes or in meetings with Christians they have listened well. Some groups of refugees have not been reached because of the language barrier.

We have helped Christians adapt themselves to new ways of earning their daily bread. My chief interest herein has been in the use of relief funds to advance adult literacy. The teacher is paid about $3 for teaching each person who has successfully read the Primer written for adults. An additional $1.25 is given when his student has finished one of the four Gospels, and $1.50 is given if he can write a simple letter, take dictation from the first primer, or do second-grade arithmetic. In this way the unemployed, and often poverty-stricken instructor finds material help and the church is strengthened. Without exception spiritual growth has come where teachers have been successful. Dozens of people this year in this district can read the Bible who last year were totally illiterate. I know they want to say "Thank you."

Such teachers are untrained, several having less than 6th grade education. A few have themselves learned to read by this adult method of Dr. Laubach. Several elders are teaching, one who was a flood victim in 1947. The picture shows him standing on the wreckage of his house which he was able to dig out of the mud, only after receiving wheat to give him strength to work.

Weakened through the starvation days following the flood he took typhoid. He felt that God saved him for some special work, so he chose to teach others to read. Another elder has a class of young men from whom we hope elders may one day be chosen. His particular village has been a discouragement in the past, but we had reason to praise in December when we examined his good work and joined in worship there with the Christians. Some former 8th grade girls from Pasrur Boarding School are doing exceptional work in their villages teaching poise, cleanliness and care in personal appearance. Pray that a way may be found to continue this work when relief funds are exhausted.

It is still the greatest blessing in the world to be working in His vineyard in Pakistan.

Laura MacLachlan

A Flood Victim. Elder standing on the wreckage of his house.

CAMPBELLPUR AND ATTOCK DISTRICTS

In Christian districts lady missionaries can move freely about in rural sections but in Moslem territory it is necessary to be accompanied by a man. Therefore we have been able to go little to the people who need us most, those far removed from opportunities to hear the Gospel message. This fall we went on one tour, however, under the protection of an Indian Christian government officer. We lived in a village where ghastly atrocities of the March 1947 riots had been committed. From our rooftop we could look down on scores of mansions and hovels fast falling into ruins, deserted by the survivors of massacre. In the spring we had been in a village terrified by its recent visit from Pathan raiders, and in the same month were in villages where much-feared raiders lived, and in all found friendly, eager listeners to the Gospel.

In Campbellpur God has brought to us for intensive study of the Bible college students and sweepers, wealthy land-owners and outcastes. We have a primary school for Christians now being taught by our pastor's wife, classes for illiterate sweepers, weekly Bible classes in a dozen Moslem homes, and regular zenana visiting. Refugees still claim much time and sympathy, though long ago our relief supplies were exhausted. Recently we came across two refugees each wrapped in half a Union Jack.

We had a few days at Abbottabad where in behalf of the mission we established legal residence of the Church of England property, now turned over to us. Daily we rejoiced in the privilege of going to zenanas with a fine Bible Woman. We were glad, too, for the chance during the rush season at Taxila hospital to meet with scores of groups of patients with the will and leisure to listen to the Good Tidings. We are thankful to God for giving to us this busy, rich, happy year.

Helen Weede
Margaret Ballantyne

GUJRANWALA DISTRICT

Meet some humble but faithful saints. The village Christmas service was over. I was to ask the blessing on food awaiting the arrival of long overdue guests from near villages. In the room a cloth spread on the floor contained two piles of rice, one plain boiled and the other sweetened with dark brown sugar. This was the Christmas dinner to which my friends had joyfully invited their neighbors. I was ashamed, remembering my own Christmas feast. I was even more humbled when after the blessing and I had partaken a little of the generously proffered meal, an old woman, saying "Good bye" remarked, "We are so happy. God has given us many blessings." Blessings, indeed, but many that the world would not recognize.

In another village, many sections of which had been destroyed last summer in the unprecedented rains, and where people had been a prey to the inevitable evils following such a flood—exposure, under-nourishment, malaria and dysentery, I was ready to weep with them over their once neat and prosperous quarters, but

Jewali, a Woman of Pasrur District, and her Spinning Wheel.

they said, "Oh, it is about built up now, you should have seen it last summer. We had to take to the highest ground we could find with no shelter but our beds."

A self-support pastor, at the passing of a beloved son was deeply concerned lest he dishonor God by asking why he had done this thing and so doubt His love. Recently his wife has been taken, leaving him with small children. He is still asking for prayer that he may learn the lesson his Heavenly Father has for him, and that he may in no way question His love and wisdom.

We thank God at every remembrance of the faith and courage in the face of terrible difficulties and privations of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ in Pakistan.

Louise E. Scott

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

A reflection of my first nine-months' adventure in India and Pakistan recalls first-impression experiences of joy, shock, curiosity, disillusionment and disappointment, but it also provokes new visions, new life, and new fellowship with Christ.

This country is a land of variety and contrasts. We see the rich Indians with their colored turbans, their expensive imported automobiles jostling the millions of professional beggars who cry piteously for the pittance that would keep them from going to bed hungry.

In no other country is there such an array of colors, changing life, languages and races. In no other country do you find such a collection of temples and mosques and such a bewildering parade of religions.

The Indian university student, proud of his western learning, and steeped in oriental philosophy, turns disdainfully away from the illiterate under-privileged who form 90% of the population of this teeming land, and whose only home consists of an unsanitary, unlighted mud hovel.

India is the most religious land in the world. It has given religions to most of Asia and its philosophies even to America; yet it is a land wherein mankind has been deliberately degraded by its priesthood, which had made itself the custodian of India's darkness, by barring every door through which light might penetrate.

"Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive delivered?" This verse, taken from Isaiah, was one of the favorite verses of the early missionaries to India. But those of us who are now in active service are still claiming the promise, "The captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered," and all flesh shall know that Jesus Christ is their Saviour and their Redeemer.

1. Lal Din, Director and Evangelist of the Adult Literacy work.

H. His son, Nawaz.

3. Young Pastor.

These Readers represent the extremes of age and youth. This whole family from youngest to grandfather are reading.

Surrounding are readers who came for their examinations.

Adult Literacy Rally in Badomali District. XXX marks the Bible Women who help in the rallies

One class of readers. X indicates the teacher who needed employment, thus giving these people an opportunity to learn to read.

"I know of a life that is steeped in sin,
that no man's art can cure,
But I know a name, a sacred name, that
can make that life all pure.
I know of a soul that is lost to God,
bound down by the things of earth,
But I know of a name, a sacred name,
that can bring that soul new birth."

The world must hear that name. PAKISTAN must hear that name. It is the name of Jesus.

Edith M. Drake

LYALLPUR DISTRICT

We know how trouble brings us nearer to God. This has been true in our Christian community. The difficulties and fears of the past eighteen months have brought many to think of God and his goodness and to trust Him. They attend the services better, are more anxious to learn God's Word, and though their means are more limited, they give more freely.

We are grateful for food and clothing sent by God's people in America. There is still need in places but some have been able to secure land to farm and some have found other work.

There is progress in Adult Literacy. Recently in a small Christian community we were happy to find two girls who had read the first book and wanted to learn more. Three other girls seeing their interest had started. The grandfather of one of them was their teacher.

Though prices are high and people complain it is hard to buy bread, they are still eager to buy God's Word. It never grows old, but is always a best seller.

(Mrs. W. H.) Edith W. Ross

PASRUR DISTRICT

In the spring of 1948 the Tribesmen who had fought in Kashmir were resting in the Punjab and demanding whatever their hearts desired. Reports are told of their going to a restaurant, ordering a good dinner but refusing to pay the bill, saying, "We fight for you in Kashmir, we do not pay." The same answer would be given after they had taken anything they wished from a shop. They were greatly feared everywhere. When it was reported that they were in a village only three miles from Pasrur one of our Christian women exclaimed, "Oh, what shall we do if the Pathans come here tonight?"

Her little daughter asked, "Why should we worry about that?"

The father answered, "It is a cause for worry when the Pathans are about at our door."

The child replied, "Every night you read the Bible you ask God to take care of us, so we do not need to worry." Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise!

Our hearts were refreshed in visiting a village which had been without a pastor until the week of our visit. A faithful elder from another village had been coming to teach them. We rejoiced together as young people and children recited the Scripture. A blind man who had come to live with his sister, knew many Psalms and hymns which he had taught, so all sang together. This village is in the rice country. The crop had been harvested and the people had enough to eat. It was a joy to see the happy children laugh and play. Four little tots mounted on a manger complained that their make-belief horse would not go. The little boys jumped and raced as well-fed children should.

Many people are poorly fed. Wheat flour is difficult to obtain. Coarser grains must be substituted. One woman told that in her neighborhood all had formerly joined in a big Christmas dinner. This year each celebrated in his own home eating millet bread. Some who were able to raise rice had the usual Christmas celebration. Friends came to help eat the great kettles of rice and to join in the church services, without which they feel they have not celebrated Christmas.

Mary Kyle

RAWALPINDI CITY

After several months with a medical relief team in the refugee camps in Pakistan, helping inoculate thousands against cholera and endeavoring to check epidemics of smallpox, typhoid and dysentery, in April I came to Rawalpindi to work. This is the largest military station in the whole of North India. It covers a vast area with a population of over 200,000. The city is built on a great tableland in the shadow of the Himalayas. Here in this stronghold of Mohammedanism our Church has been established. The Christian community numbers 2000 in two congregations.

Miriam, a Widow and a Leper, with her little girl who has contracted the disease. She is learning to love the Lord. She has no feet, only stumps, yet she does nit grumbl at her lot.

Two days a week are spent in visiting in the homes of our people. As there is no car here much of my time is spent going miles in rickety old two-wheeled carts. When I reach an outlying section of the city I dismiss the cart and walk through the narrow, tortuous streets to visit the people.

Two days a week I give lectures to the M.A. students in Gordon College. Another two days I spend visiting in the women's quarters of Mohammedan homes. Walking through narrow lanes, past fragrant spice bazars, in dirty streets I finally grope my way up dark, narrow, winding stairs to the upper reaches of the house. Some houses are very poor, with only bits of torn burlap to cover the door ways. Others have marble-paved courtyards with rich Persian rugs and silk hangings. In each the spiritual darkness is the same. For all we have a wonderful Saviour, able to save and to heal. Women listen eagerly, and many have bought Gospel portions. To several such homes I go regularly for Bible study.

At the Leper colony outside the city limits I have a large class of Moslem women to whom I am teaching the Psalms and the sayings of our Lord. Some are highly infectious while others are in an arrested state of the disease. It would melt your heart to hear these women reciting the praises of our Lord through lips eaten away by the dread disease, with only stumps of arms uplifted in praise. How much more we who are whole should praise our Redeemer. Please pray for two women very near the Kingdom. Working in a huge city is different from working in the mud villages. We are strengthened and encouraged by the prayers of friends at home.

N. Addaline Brandon

SANGLA HILL DISTRICT

One hot day last May we started at six in the morning to the dedication of a new church in distant Bahmaniwala, where on a previous visit I had been distressed with the lackadaisical, irreverent attitude of the group that gathered for an open-air service. Now a new man was working in that circle, a convert of meagre education from the Roman Catholics, but a man who has the Spirit of God. Careful preparation had been made for the service, and people came from surrounding villages until there were about 250 present. When the service began, we all went in a procession, singing, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go up unto the house of the Lord." All the men went into the church and the women into the deep, shady verandah, both of which were crowded. With reverence and great gladness we dedicated the largest village church building in this Presbytery to the worship of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

I felt that day that something new was happening in Bahmaniwala. On another occasion I said something to the evangelist about it, and his humble answer was, "Don't praise me. If anything has been done, then God did it." He told of the burden he had had through the hot weather because so many people did not come to church. One day he announced his intention of going into the church to fast and pray until people would come for united worship from every one of the sixty Christian families in the villages. This went on for three days before all came, but from that time considerable change had been wrought.

We went there twice in November. The first time we had baptisms and a Communion Service in which twenty young people stood to make profession of their faith. Thirteen of them have learned to read recently and are now reading in the New Testament.

The last visit was made to distribute clothing from Church World Service. When I arrived all the people were lined up on both sides of the path leading to the church, and they stopped me there for an official welcome about which there was a beautiful unforgettable simplicity and sincerity. They sang a Psalm and evangelist Daniel said a few words. Then as I started up the path they showered me with rose petals and repeated in unison one of the verses they learned in the Synod Course, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of them that bring glad tidings of good things."

Frances E. Brown

SARGODHA DISTRICT

Highlights from a year that seems to have held twice 366 days. The extra day was appointed for a Bible Reading (memory)contest in the local Sabbath School. The passage selected was the Book of James. Five people were able to memorize the whole book. Contestants ranged from a grandmother to a girl in first-year high school with only one boy brave enough to appear. Judges were the head teacher from our school and the district Inspectress of Schools.

Remodelling American clothing for refugees furnished work for Christians whose machines have been idle for some time. From among the results we saw six lads proudly wearing one housecoat converted into shorts. At the refugee camp mothers carried naked babies to make an impression on the distributors. With the work for the refugees finished here, came the task of distributing garments to Christians out in the district. We've sorted clothes and tied up so many bundles that they've woven themselves into our dreams.

We've distributed Ralston cereal supplied by the Mennonites. This food helped just before the harvest was ready. Many of our people were really hungry for bread. A mother repeated this conversation between herself and her four-year-old son:

"Mother, is there *no* wheat in Jesus house?"

"Why, yes, He has everything—He has wheat."

"Then why doesn't He send us some?"

"He did send some through the kindness of His people in America."

He also sent milk through His people in the United States. You gave, we distributed. We took a barrel of powdered milk out to the old city of Bhera where malaria and malnutrition had combined against life and health. The people were pathetic in their gratitude for sweet milk and bitter medicine. Many of the youngsters swallowed the vitamins and mepacrine as though they were candy. One woman piled blessings on our heads and added: "After a whole year I am seeing milk once more."

For a month we ran a boarding house for three relief workers. Two, though not missionaries, were fine Christian young women with plenty of sparkle. They brought a lot of fun into our home.

We had a three-day conference for the wives of our pastors and teachers. There was a three-day camp for village youth. In the last session a number gave expression to a new desire to witness for Christ. From the camp has come an earnest candidate for the Seminary.

The pastors and teachers have lengthened the time of their monthly workers' meeting to include two prayer meetings and a Bible study. Our compound was a small village of tents for six days in November when they met for intensive Bible study.

The Bible Woman Uses the Blackboard in the Literacy Campaign.

We have reached groups of Christians from every village through meetings in village centers. The people have generally been eager to listen to the Word and out of their poverty have given well for the work of the indigenous Church.

Laura Reynolds
Alice G. Hill

QILA SHEIKHUPURA CITY AND DISTRICT

This year three or four days each week have been spent in the camp for refugees. Powdered milk and vitamins, received through the World Christian Service were given out. A small circulating library was started, and we had more opportunities for giving the Christian message than strength permitted.

The first time a dirty gunny sack (the best they had) was spread for me I had to ask God's help to accept graciously the invitation to sit and read from God's Word. God heard and enabled. He was good and throughout the weeks and months no skin disease nor any infectious disease was contracted, nor were lice, body or head, allowed to attach themselves to us. We made many friends. Will you pray with us, that the seed sown may spring forth and bear seed, even a hundredfold?

Five weeks were spent in the district this fall. Two of the camps were in the area where many square miles were under water for weeks. This happened during the rains when the canal banks breeched. Brick and adobe houses by the hundred went down. Standing crops, grain, seed, food, clothing and bedding rotted. Wells became polluted. One of the girls told us that they had gone over a mile from their village to find high enough ground to camp and that all their drinking water had to be carried from their driven well. Disease and undernourishment weakened the people so that they hardly had strength to rebuild and get their land under cultivation again.

Many times Isaiah 54:11-12, 17 has been brought to mind by the faith and trust of many of the Christians. "Behold, I will set thy stones in fair colors and lay thy foundations with sapphires and I will make thy pinnacles of rubies, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy border of precious stones. . . . This is the heritage of the servants of Jehovah and their righteousness which is of me, saith Jehovah."

Margaret Fehlman

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As I look back over the year I thank God for His goodness and help; many difficult things could not have been done had it not been for His help and guidance. "Not by might nor by power but by my Spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." The Lord has promised that His Word shall not return to Him void, and He is faithful to fulfill His promises. Sometimes the Lord in His gracious loving kindness shows us some results to encourage us in our work, and to inspire us to work more.

Day after day as I visited the camp for refugees to give milk, medicine and vitamin tablets to the aged, sick and little children, I had many opportunities to give the Gospel message. How often we heard, "It is the Christian people who show love and sympathy" and the way was open to give the message. In one old factory building I gave medicine to forty men, women and children of the seventy people who were huddled together in a room about 18 by 40 feet. Day after day as we went to the camp hungry little children ran out to meet us, little hands outstretched, begging for just a little powdered milk. I was often reminded of the thousands of hungry souls who have never heard of Jesus Christ.

The doors of a new home in the city have been opened through a refugee woman. She and her little three-year-old grandchild lived in the yard at the camp. She had no cooking vessels, no dishes and only a piece of burlap, tied on poles to protect them from the heat and sun. Little Hammidan had typhoid fever and each day as I gave milk, cereal and calcium tablets the grandmother listened attentively to the Gospel message. She got work cooking for a family in the city and it is in this home that we are welcomed so gladly. Join with us in prayer for these new friends, that they may come to know and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

Another refugee woman and her husband have called on us a number of times. They have a room in one of the deserted homes in the city. Each time the woman comes she brings relatives or neighbors with her to hear the message.

I was greatly encouraged as one

illiterate village Christian woman told of her joy in the Lord, and her desire to know more of His Word. The village women said that when her five children died she did not weep and mourn. She replied, "I was sad for a few days, as I missed my little ones but when I began to meditate upon His Word the sadness left me. Then I had a greater desire to know more of Him." Her son, also illiterate, learns a new Bible lesson at every opportunity and then teaches it to his mother.

Betsy Fleming

The Word of God being explained to refugees, Memorial Hospital, Sialkot.

SIALKOT AND ZAFARWAL DISTRICTS

Over 100 of our poor Christian families were helped by receiving from relief funds more than market price for the thread they spun. Their greatest benefit was the accompanying Bible teaching. When one heard Mal. 3:10 he said, "I did not know that was in the Bible. I believe that is the reason we are so poor, because we do not tithe." Another added, "If the Lord gives us money for bread and we spend it for strong drink or tobacco and are hungry it is our own fault."

Now six young Christian men who were out of work are weaving the thread. Two knew the way of salvation when they came. We hope that all now, not only know the way but also are in it. This fall we left them and went to camp, staying in old school houses or spare rooms instead of in tents. At first the Bible Woman and evangelist, Ilm Din and I went out together. Everywhere people seemed glad to hear the Word and to know that we were still in Pakistan. In one far village a women remembered what we had said when we were there seven years before.

Later I did a new thing. I left the Bible Woman and Ilm Din at a pastor's house to continue the work without a missionary and went with Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Alter in their new jeep to Zafarwal District. On return I was happy to hear of the marvelous work the campers had done in the village in our absence. We went to this village on Christmas day. There was a full Christmas program as well as games and hot tea for the shivering crowd. About 500 from 19 different villages sat on the ground. Many Mohammedans listened from the mud walls and house tops to Ilm Din's good message. Elder Buta Mall read from the Bible and expressed his gratitude for learning to read by the adult-literacy method. A procession came in singing, "Praise God who alone doeth wondrous works." One of the number, a sick woman, was given a bed to sit or lie on. Her uncle in the meeting testified saying that she had truly died and come to life again in answer to an earnest prayer of faith. She told about going to heaven where everything was beautiful and lovely, but the angels put her out because she was not ready for heaven. Before her illness she worshiped a heathen grave. Now she prays to the true God. She was spiritually dead but now has new life in Christ. Unto Him be the honor and glory.

Theresa I. Brownlee

The Ministry Of Teaching

ABBOTTABAD

As an outdoor school-room we know of no place that is more ideal than our mission compound here in Abbottabad. In case our wee kiddies grow weary of the deep shade under that "spreading" camphor tree, then with a low stool under one arm and remaining possessions in the other hand they walk up to the Cedar of Lebanon or one of the huge chenars or go into the shade of the old English oak tree. The blackboard is portable so two kiddies quickly move the teacher's chair and the table.

The Inspectress made a surprise visit in September. She wrote in the Log book "Class 1B made excellent progress in reading and number work. They are taught the Phonetic method and learn to read very quickly in consequence."

Look carefully at our children for the sons and daughters of the rich as well as the poor are there. Children of army officers make attendance registers irregular as their fathers are transferred often. We usually have eighty or more on the roll but more than 300 children are enrolled during the year. It gives us opportunity to bring the message to those who later will contact others. Those Bible verses will not be forgotten.

The Church World Service in America did Abbottabad a real service when it sent clothing to Pakistan. Today I sent a bundle of clothing to two Christian children who were absolutely naked and shivering around a small fire.

Mrs. Williams, our Bible Woman, six days a week goes into the homes to sympathize with the bereaved and comfort the sick and dying. She absents herself from weddings, etc., believing that it is better to go to the house of mourning than to the house of rejoicing. She taught in the homes 875 times during the year. She gives the true message and advice for daily living. In this way people understand Christian principles and the Bible becomes a familiar book to them. She has *Revelation* almost memorized. "Blessed is he that readeth and they that hear the words of this prophecy and keep those things that are written therein."

Minnie E. Beatty

ATTARI DAY SCHOOL

"Thank you," says the child, almost in tears, after a white-clad nurse has poked her with a needle for a combined typhoid and cholera inoculation. Perhaps the next child forgets the "Thank you" and weeps instead, but no one wants to be missed. In summer when epidemics rage these children in the midst of the city are an easy prey, so we call on the Memorial Hospital Staff to thus protect them. The rush for tonic and cough mixture, and other medicines given daily at recess by the teachers is evidence of appreciation of our efforts.

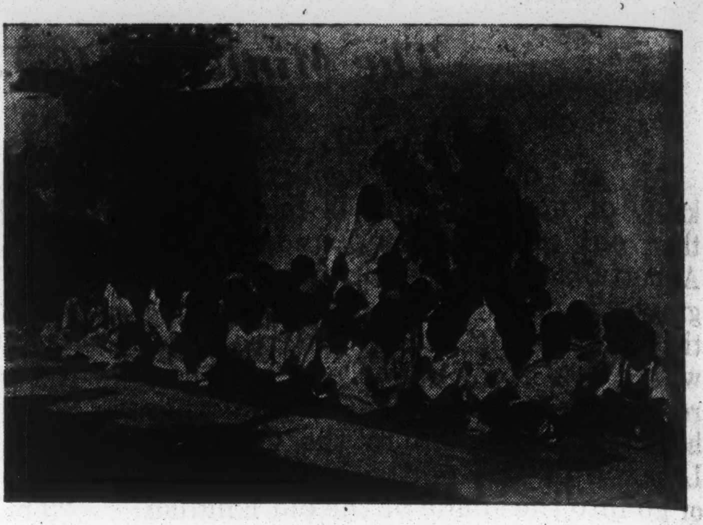
This year, for the first time a teacher is employed from the community in which the school is located. She has been away for her education and now is a help among her people. Each year several girls pass from fifth class here into sixth at Hajipur. We have aided the poor families of several girls this year in paying for a horse cart to take them the long distance to Hajipur, only because of the strange times in which it is wiser for big girls not to walk alone so far.

Christmas means oranges for a treat to the 150 children, and the program in which they love to depect The Nativity in song and story. Mothers of both religions attend en masse.

Eva Hewitt

LYALLPUR GIRLS' SCHOOL

Lyallpur City has a small school where 170 children, mostly girls at-



Village School at Chandi Talawan in Lyallpur District. Mrs. Robert Paul, wife of the pastor, is the teacher.

tend. Most of them come from Christian homes. Here they receive a fifth grade education, after which they may enter government schools of the city or one of our boarding schools. Bible is, of course, taught in each grade.

In two villages in the district we maintain schools where children learn without much of the equipment which is thought necessary in the homeland; no school room but God's open air and no seats but the matting on the ground, and very little blackboard, however, teachers loving God's Word are helping them to become useful citizens and true followers of their Saviour.

(Mrs. W. H.) Edith W. Ross

PASRUR G. B. S.

We have been thankful for an undisturbed year and enough rations for all. A number of times we had used all we had on hand but our new supply came in time.

Cloth is still rationed and hard to get. Once during the year we got 400 yards on the school ration card, but that does not go far in clothing more than 180 girls.

The school has always furnished woolen shirts for the girls, but we have not been able to buy any woolen cloth for a number of years and our supply was exhausted. From old clothing (mostly woolen skirts) sent from the Christian Relief Committee we were able to make shirts for those who had none. From the scraps left we made up tiny frocks of many different colors and gave them to needy people.

December was a busy month preparing dramas for Christmas, having house examinations and getting the girls off for the holidays. The blind teacher at the "Quiet Hour" every morning takes the little children, too small to read the Bible for themselves. She prepared a Christmas drama in song and taught these little ones who gave it at the church before they went home.

To save rations we have had a long Christmas holiday. Only the blind teacher, one of her pupils and four orphan girls are left in the school. They have kept busy and happy with games, sewing and a tea party for the compound children.

Sixteen girls united with the church during the year. All the eleven girls in last year's eighth class passed their government examination successfully.

We were pleased with work done by a number of our girls in their homes during the summer vacation, teaching the "Key of Knowledge," songs and Bible stories to those about them.

Pray that each and all of us may truly witness for Him wherever we are during the coming year.

R. Jean Black

SANGLA HILL G. B. S.

This has not been an ordinary year. Having just returned from the U.S.A. I have been busy becoming accustomed to changes that went with the new country. Now the fact that things continue much the same as before partition is a great satisfaction.

It is pleasing when teaching the Word to see the interest of the people in spite of their hunger because of insufficient food. It is hard to go into a poor home to call near the usual time for preparing a meal and find little to cook. It is also hard to have them get some of their precious popcorn and insist that we eat while their children look on with hungry eyes. We appreciate their kindly hospitality, but take as little as possible.

It is a joy to see their church offerings. They are thankful to God that they are safe and that the missionaries have been allowed to stay. Since April I have been in the boarding school and so have been seeing the village people only as they come to pay bills or visit their daughters. They tell of the shortage of food and work. One little girl cried bitterly when she came back to school after vacation because the home food supply was almost exhausted and there was no work in sight. Many are the prayers of thanksgiving that go up here because He has supplied our needs so bountifully. I admit I cannot impress them with the fact that we must be careful for the supply of funds is being exhausted because of high prices. We are fortunate to be in an area where wheat can be bought though it is very expensive.

The school is overcrowded this winter with many turned away. There will be many sad hearts when they find that avenues for taking further training and so earning money to help the family, are being closed to those of only eighth-grade education. Very few can afford high school. This year only two can go for teachers' training.

The health in the school has been unusually good, in contrast to the bad malarial fever everywhere. One girl had to be sent to the hospital with tuberculosis and there are others that cause us concern because they do not gain weight. Funds do not stretch to cover milk for many as formerly.

Discipline problems which were so serious at first have become much less since some prayer meetings in September. Some of the girls did serious thinking then and, as usual, it counts in changed lives.

Margaret L. Mordoch

RAWALPINDI GIRLS' SCHOOL

The year 1948 has been a successful one for our school. There have been fewer interruptions than in the previous year, though the extra holiday of one month in the Spring has made it necessary to teach extra hours later in the year in order to prepare the girls for their examinations in March.

With the exception of one change, made necessary by the engagement of one of our staff, the teachers have remained the same as last year. Their faithful, loyal service at all times and under difficult conditions merits our hearty commendation.

The number of Christian pupils is 43 and of Moslems 384. Of the latter we have 109 refugee girls, 53 of whom received parcels from America from the Church World Service. The other 56, who were new this fall, in October received sweaters, tablets, pencils and cloth from the same source. In each case we explained to the girls that these were gifts from the Christians in America who had heard of their tragic migration and wanted to help in some way. For these same refugee girls other pupils have brought clothing and old books and the municipality has given a grant of Rs.500 toward their fees.

Of the twelve girls who appeared for examinations in March eleven passed, giving us a higher rating than in the previous year. At the

A village yard and home in India.

farewell for this class each girl received a copy of the Bible.

Our extra-curricular activities have been many and varied. To raise the contribution of Rs.1081-15-0 to the Qaid-i-Azam Fund each class had a sale of Indian food or hand work and the teachers put on an Indian translation of "Blue Bird" which they presented three days in succession. Knitting and sewing for refugees continued throughout the year. This fall the Women's Auxiliary gave us thirty pounds of wool to knit into men's long stockings. When the secretary came to collect the stockings she was delighted to find that we had knit 122 pair, one more than she had expected from the wool given. We have had several drives for collecting old clothing and the pupils have been generous. We also won first place in the General Knowledge contest in June.

We have just closed the school for the Christmas holidays. The Christian staff and pupils gave a play showing the transforming power of Christ in the life of one man, who because of the vision he had seen of the Christ Child, had given up his selfish ways and had become a kindly, sympathetic and righteous man. Because of the crowd of women who came as guests, the play had to be given three times. Each child went home with an orange and a Christmas card on which a Bible verse had been written in Urdu. May the message of the play and of the cards bear fruit in the lives of the girls and their mothers.

(*Mrs. D. E.*) *M. P. Alter*

SARGODHA GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

We have on the roll 170 children, out of which 110 are in the boarding house. Eleven of the boarders are boys. The boys are kept separately in their cottage but mix (with girls) at school, in games and at meals. The girls do their own cooking, but as they are very young a woman is employed to help with the mid-day meals.

On the staff we have seven teachers. Each teacher is in charge of her cottage which consists of 27 girls.

In school the children are mostly taught by the project method, which makes them more interested in their tasks.

We have Moslem girls and boys in the school. Three boys and one girl are in the boarding house.

Three girls from the fifth class won government scholarships this year. The Divisional Inspectress of Schools paid a surprise visit and wrote excellent remarks about it.

The school has whole-heartedly participated in the social work for refugees, by sewing 100 quilts and numerous other garments. Special attention is paid to the health of the children, which has encouraged us much, as we did not have a single girl suffering from fever this year.

Our hearts and heads are all the time bowed before the Almighty to help us and make us really capable of preparing His young Christian Soldiers to go out in the world and boldly preach His Name.

Z. Makhzan, Head-teacher

MISSION GIRLS' SCHOOL
GUJRANWALA

The communal disturbances affected the enrollment of the school this year. The number, reducd to 100, has now come up to 270. They are Christian and Mohammedan girls. Some come from good families.

The Bible is taught in all of the classes. They take great interest in the Bible and learn to sing Bible songs. This year we staged the Christmas drama and had the largest audience we have ever had. All were quiet and listened keenly.

All the teachers on the staff are Christian, and all work hard in Christian service.

Karm Din

SIALKOT GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL

This autumn the teachers did a fine service sorting clothing received from Church World Service and helping to fit a suitable garment to each of the 300 children and young women. As each class was fitted I said, "American Christians because they love and serve Jesus Christ have sent these clothes to you." All in a fervent chorus said, "Thank you!"

In the sewing classes big girls made their long shirts of women's dresses. Many little girls could wear your children's dresses just as they were. A Moslem first grader came to school the next day wearing her fleece-lined combination suit as sole attire, having liked it so much she had also slept therein! The givers would be glad to see shivering, skinny little Suriya now warm in a heavy pullover, the pitiful, second - grade John in warm long pants, or Sardar, the orphan Normal girl with her bright-colored sweater.

The new high school department has both taxed and encouraged us. Necessity was the mother of invention to make room for these classes and procure teachers. The educational department immediately gave recognition. The concern now is building to care for 100 girls in the near future. There is urgency in this preparation of a high school for Christian girls in our area of Pakistan. The assignment of Dr. Evelyn Cathcart to this work is timely.

Our class did well again in the state examination. We have asked permission to open a Senior Vernacular Training Class since the Junior Vernacular which is taught here has recently been cut to an inadequate one-year course.

Dramas presented from time to time become not only a means of teaching Biblical truth and self-expression to students, but the most pleasing vehicle for Gospel presentation. People have flocked in to see Jeremiah, produced after a study of the book.

From December 1st the school has rung with songs, new and old, of the Nativity. Drawings, Flannelgraph, Christmas cards you have sent, pictures preserved for ages in tin boxes for this season, a showing of "The King of Kings" and an evening of colored slides have all helped us to be filled with the Christmas Spirit. One is thrilled at the thought of 65 boarders full to the brim with stories and Scripture of Christ's birth, scattered to the four winds singing in every home and village the good news.

The rating of the school is high. It is making a stable contribution to the State and the Church. You are doing a worthwhile service for God with the money you send and the prayers you make. It is a privilege to be your missionary and to be associated in a work and time like this.

Eva Hewitt

SIALKOT HIGH SCHOOL

In a city called Sialkot
Within sight of snow-capped mountains
Long ago a school was started
Educating girls and teachers.

In an equal lovely setting
Later grew a High School famous;
Doctors, nurses, teachers, mothers,
Got their start in fair Pathankot.

As the years sped swiftly onward,
Independence reached the country,
But partition made hard boundaries,
Pakistan and India severed.

So our Pakistani lassies
Had no Mission High School beckoning;
India had claimed Pathankot,
What could be their future portion?

Parents, Church and Mission pondered
Until April saw them open
Their own High School in Sialkot
Midst the Grade and Normal classes.

Work increased, more help was needed
One arrived from furlough strengthened
Eager for some work to tackle
So Sialkot beckoned to her.

Days so few in new surroundings
Brings no long report to thrill you
But beware lest next year's annual
Wearies you with stories lengthy!

M. Evelyn Cathcart

Sunning Beds, Sialkot School

THE UNITED BIBLE TRAINING CENTER, GUJRANWALA

On January 4th our school will celebrate its tenth birthday. It has never been a large school, but some twenty of its graduates are serving their Master in the districts, hospitals and schools of most of the Protestant missions of our area. Others, who have married, are continuing to give a Christian witness in homes of their own. At least as many others have been in the school for varying periods of time, whose lives, we hope, have been refreshed by concentrated study of God's Word.

Moving the school to Gujranwala has proved a happy choice in many ways, not the least of which is the interest and co-operation of the whole community. Various groups have asked for their own weekly Bible-study classes, so that, with the daily classes for the Seminary wives, our own school, and all these weekly classes, our time is well filled.

The extension work of the school is not limited to Gujranwala. Occasionly the schools of our own and other missions invite us to spend a week helping their teachers to improve their Bible teaching and chapel services. Last year such a visit was made in Sangla Hill. This year a Methodist school in Lahore has asked for this help. Then in May, a ten-day refresher course was held here for selected teachers from various missions.

To stimulate the creativeness so much neglected by the schools of this land, we require projects. After the study of *Revelation*, it was a joy to see that, instead of the routine charts, one girl had produced an interesting flannelgraph demonstration, and two others had worked together in making little clay models illustrating each chapter. It was rather a shock to see the seven golden candlesticks as the little oil wicks used in Indian homes, and the Bride attired in gay reds and blues, but the Bible had come alive for them.

Marian T. Peterson

RAWALPINDI

I arrived in Pakistan in 1947 and have spent the past year in language study. During the hot season the school was in session in Landour, in the foothills of the Himalayas.

Whenever opportunity offered we enjoyed short hikes through the hills, played basket-ball and attended some of the social functions of the school. I can assure you that the school work is not all play. We have a stiff course of study which keeps us busy. Aside from language study we are taught how to approach non-Christians.

We came back to Pakistan for our annual meeting and assignments for our regular mission work. In the meantime I had the pleasure of attending the Badomali convention over one week end and on the same trip enjoyed visiting Pasrur Girls' School.

I also enjoyed attending a Fair, called the Gulah Shah Mela, where people bring their animals to be judged and perhaps sold. Here there were little stalls where they sold many different articles. The Christians had the best stall of all where they sold Bibles, Testaments and Gospel portions and gave out tracts. They had men who were prepared to present the Christian message and in the evenings showed pictures on the Life of Christ and other interesting pictures.

At present I am located in Rawalpindi to continue language study and work as Secretary at Gordon College. I am enjoying my work and long for the time when I can forget language study. Gordon College is a place where we never have a dull moment. The college has just started a new semester with 850 students, both Mohammedan and Christian. The college is co-educational with 50 girls, three of whom are Christians.

Pray for these boys and girls that they may know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

Dorothy M. Fisher

The Ministry Of Healing

When first brought to Memorial Hospital, Sialkot

Joyce, the little Refugee

One Month Later

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, SIALKOT

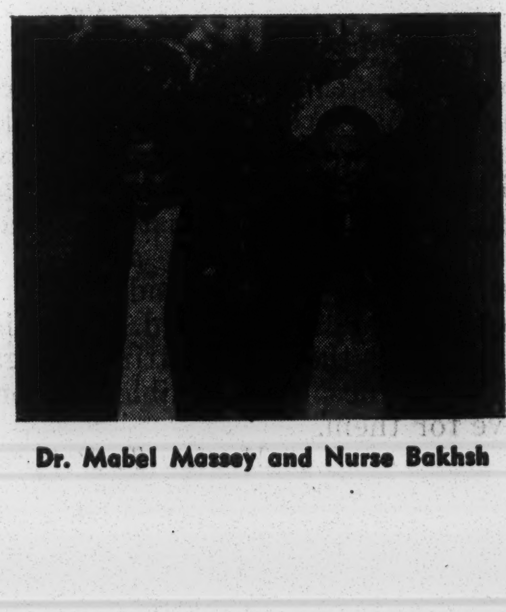
The theme song for the past year here at the hospital has been the 37th Psalm. Sometimes when the future looked dark in our newly-formed Pakistan, these words constantly came to us, "Trust in the Lord—Delight thyself also in the Lord—Rest in the Lord—He is their strength in time of trouble." At times when our food ration was finished and the nurses threatened to strike, we pointed them to the third verse, "and verily thou shalt be fed." The Lord did provide. Memorial Hospital fed 1178 refugees and 500 poor Christians during the year. We are thankful to you in the church at home who sent use powdered milk and glucose and bundles of warm clothing.

Three months ago two little starved girls were brought to us by the Moslem League Secretary. The smaller one died as she was being admitted. The other, whom we call Joyce, responded to nothing except food. She stuffed it into her mouth like a starved animal. For days she neither spoke nor looked at anyone. It will take much love and care to make her a normal child again.

Dr. Davies, sent from America for relief work, goes daily to the refugee camps, taking with her a team of nurses and medical supplies from the hospital. Returning with her each day is a stream of refugees for admission. They are taken in hand by Nurse Bakhsh. She is one of our own graduates who has chosen to stay here even though she has been offered much higher pay in government work. Another faithful and sacrificial worker is Dr. Mabel Massey. She has spent her entire medical life in mission service. I hope some of you will see her in America this year where she hopes to go for postgraduate work.

Pakistan lacks doctors and nurses, especially women doctors. I was told lately that in all West Pakistan there are eight qualified women doctors.

A few of our patients have said, "Now that we have Pakistan you people must read the Koran and be-



Dr. Mabel Massey and Nurse Bakhsh

come Moslems." But there has on the whole been little opposition when we present the gospel to our patients. An Indian Jew converted to Islam, whose wife was a patient here heard the word of God and bought a Bible. With great joy he accepted Christ as his Saviour. Holding up his Bible he said, "This is the most wonderful thing I have ever found." So may the True Word be to many who come here for healing.

Reba C. Hunsberger, M.D.

SIALKOT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

On March the first, after a splendid farewell party, final good-byes were said in Taxila. In a "goods lorry," which was minus spring seats and a gas tank, were stored all my earthly possessions. In place of gasoline we had a charcoal-burning apparatus which limited our speed to less than twenty-five miles an hour.

The gorgeous hills surrounding Taxila were lovely and the cloud shadows added much to their beauty. Twenty miles from Taxila we reached Rawalpindi; but there was no time for a visit at Gordon College. While crossing the great Jhelum bridge my memory recalled that Alexander's great march came to an end at Jhelum; though it also brought back memories of the six and one-half years I spent in our Good Samaritan Hospital there.

The next few months in Sialkot were busy ones with nursing classes and daily hospital routine. I helped Dr. Reba Hunsberger a few hours each day with her office work.

How thrilled we were to welcome Marie Johnson and later Jean Simpson to our depleted nursing staff, to help for a short time with the flood of refugees. Evelyn McKelvey left for furlough the latter part of April. In June Glendine Lundquist went for vacation. Shortly after her departure Jean Simpson developed typhoid fever and had a most uncomfortable illness due to the failure of the Sialkot electric plant. The service is improved but leaves much to be desired. Night emergencies call for a gas lantern.

On November first, Reba Hunsberger turned over the books to me; since then I have been busy trying to take over more of the administrative duties.

The Kashmir refugees continue to be an ever-present problem. The "cease fire" in Kashmir filled us with joy; but it will be a long time before these refugees can be repatriated. In the meantime we must continue to help them.

Elizabeth F. McConnell, R.N.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Pakistan and India have had considerable publicity during the past year, much of it rather tragic. We fear the tragedies are not over. To think about temperature, pulses and respirations when all around life had no value; to concern ourselves about a misplaced forceps or hot water bottle when homes, factories and shops were being looted or burned seemed the height of incongruity. With God's help we weathered those terrible things and still concern ourselves about the proper temperature of water for enemas, the correct number of drops of Tincture of Digitalis, the names of the bones of the forearm and other such routine things of a hospital and training school.

There are two spirits abroad in the land today. One spirit is an arrogant one: the patient's relatives refuse to observe rules for visiting or to pay for the treatment. With a toss of their heads they repeat the slogan, "This is Pakistan. We don't *have* to do that any more." Among the staff the rebellious, "I won't" is spoken much too often and calls for patience and wisdom.

The second spirit that is encountered is one of fear and dejection. One would expect to find it among refugees but it is by no means limited to them. The tremendous difficulty

Shrivelled-up babies, a common sight among the refugees who come to Memorial Hospital, Sialkot

and anxiety experienced in getting food, the shortage of clothing, and the wide-spread corruption and injustice among officials nourishes the feeling of fear and uncertainty. It is quite understandable that Christians who are the only minority left in the West Punjab, should be a bit anxious about the future. Neither arrogance nor hopelessness make good fellow workers.

The nurses' training school at Sialkot Memorial Hospital holds an important place in West Pakistan. Mission hospitals trained over half the nurses this past year and Memorial Hospital trained a large proportion of them. The Registrar for the Punjab Registration Council writes, "You Mission hospitals must continue to train nurses. Your hospitals are the only ones left with trained European sisters to do the teaching." All this year we have been hearing the lament about the poor nursing and the poor type of nurses turned out in non-mission hospitals. In Sialkot Hospital we are old fashioned enough to think that nurses in this new Pakistan should know how and be willing to make a sick and helpless patient comfortable and to do it in the name of Christ.

Glendine Lundquist, R.N.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL,

The past year has been full of learning many new and strange things: language, customs and taste for new foods. It has also been one full of many rich blessings, such as new friends and better health. Now after eight months of language study for eight hours a day I am hard at work becoming adjusted to the routine of a hospital overflowing in its usually slack season of the year.

My work is with our training classes which are composed of young immature girls with an education comparable to Junior High at home. The goal is to make them responsible, sympathetic nurses. Nursing, Hygiene, Midwifery and Language classes fill out the week's work. Though one never lacks for work, nor does one ever finish, yet we are well, happy and contented in His service. How great the task and how few the laborers! How rich the rewards of service!

I think of a little seven-year-old refugee so starved she could not talk, walk or lift her hand. For weeks she would just sit and cry. Now she talks with the children and smiles and laughs. Such an appetite as she has! The children received a ball for Christmas. She tries to catch it and can now run after it though her steps do falter. Thanks to you in America for your gifts of clothing and food which are saving such children. We lose some; but many by His Grace are brought back from the brink of death.

What a glorious, completely satisfying labor it is to work with these of the land and to share in their joys and sorrows, while showing forth the practical side of Christianity. Our doctors, sisters, staff and student nurses take their weekly turns holding services with all the patients. Having learned something of the language I am looking forward to a fuller year of service for *Him* who is our Lord and Saviour and a strength for our every need.

Elizabeth H. Turner, R.N.

REFUGEE WORK

(*Secretary's Note: This report would not be complete if we omitted the work done by Dr. Davies in connection with Memorial Hospital. Dr. Davies had retired from Presbyterian Mission Work and volunteered for Refugee work.*)

Mrs. S. C. Picken, convener of the committee on reports gives this tribute of appreciation to Dr. Davies: "We wonder many times what we would have done without her. We love her. All her work is done through this Hospital. The Hospital supplies the medicine and nurses, etc. These following figures tell nothing of the sadness, heartache, hunger, pain and loss. I sometimes wonder how she can see and hear so much and keep so sweet and smiling. I believe she is the only volunteer worker out here."

The total number of refugee patients treated in Sialkot Memorial Hospital by Dr. Davies and by Dr. Hunsberger and staff from August 15, 1947 to December 31, 1948:

IN-DOOR CASES

Men	92
Women	1,006
Children	590
Total	1,688

OUT-DOOR CASES

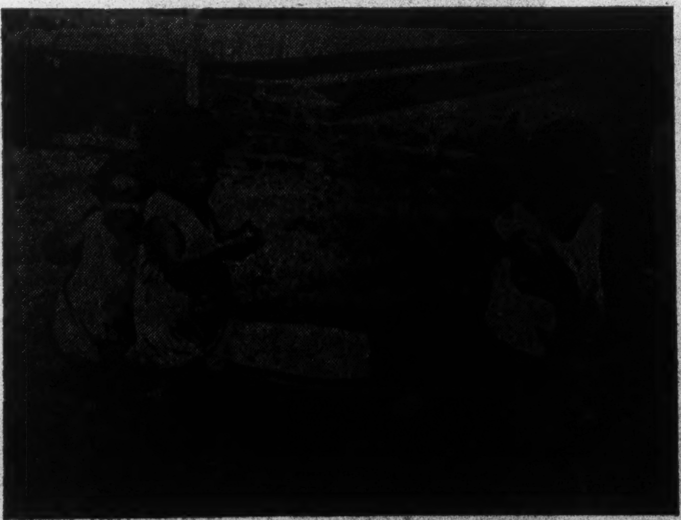
New	Old	Total
3,482	2,146	5,720
12,805	9,130	22,941
16,002	14,444	31,036
32,289	25,720	59,697

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL, JHELUM

What an interesting life is ours in His service in this land! I am sure no other place offers more of interest and variety than this small hospital. Every day is brimful and opportunities for witnessing are many.

Although we had forty less indoor patients, our dispensary has served several thousand more than last year. Our staff has gradually decreased until we wonder what we will do if another person decides to leave. Still, we haven't turned a patient away; neither have we been closed even for a day. We were flood-threatened in March and partly moved across the road to our house. On Friday, August the thirteenth after dispensary we moved patients and staff to the house and the flood came. The water subsided during the night and we opened the dispensary the following morning. It was difficult going because mud and silt covered the ground and floors; but the two previous weeks of incessant rain had given us much practice. With so much sickness in the city we felt we could not close for the necessary clean-up and repairs

A hot day in the hospital at Jhelum. Left to right: The Good Family — Johnnie, Grace, Goolam, Joyce



but served and cleaned together.

One of the many delightful incidents of the year was the fellowship with the Friends Service Unit working in our nearby camps. Some of us could not serve directly in these needy camps but we could share our home with these young folks. Another encouraging event was the arrival early in November of a generous check from the government for equipment for the hospital.

During these very difficult two years we have realized afresh the comfort of His promise, "And lo, I am with you always."

Evva Hartig, R.N.

MARY B. REED HOSPITAL, SARGODHA

The refugees, living in abject poverty, make up the bulk of our dispensary patients this year. Recently one of them said to me, "Our house has been allotted to us for fifty people. We have a shop but cannot afford one satisfying meal a day." They are on our list for powdered milk and occasional vegetables. When they had to flee from their ancestral home barefooted and with scant clothing they were told not to touch their large bag of jewelry and not even to look back or they would all be murdered. Similar tales come to our ears every day. The men of many groups were murdered and small boys are trying to make the living. We have ample opportunity to tell of our Saviour.

We have come to know many new people personally and many are the loving words we hear from the patients as they leave: "Every time we come here it seems like home sweet home. You are so kind to us." And again, "I like your hospital. I could stay here forever."

They come to us in every imaginable conveyance. As I was teaching of Christ's Birth, Death and Resurrection, an old man came bringing his wife on a short-legged stool tied on the back of his bicycle. As he left, a sixteen-year-old Christian lad came with his mother on his back. Before we had these attended to a woman appeared on horseback, very weary, having ridden from a distant village. On the other hand, often two or three cars are in the driveway at one time. So East and West meet. And yet they do not meet. These well - dressed English-speaking people seem so remote from the masses.

Great help in money and supplies, both hospital and personal, has arrived from supporters and friends. The staff joins me in thanking all who kindly helped in our time of unprecedented need. One's heart rejoices to see many a desperately poor woman leave the hospital with the first warm garment she has ever owned. She may even have a shirt and blanket for her baby just recovered from pneumonia or dysentery.

We have met with little opposition either in preaching the gospel or in selling Scripture. It is the best year we have had.

Frances Lincoln, R.N.

WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, PASRUR

This year we saw about three thousand new patients and many more old ones. I have one nurse and two dais (midwives) to help me in the work. The nurse does compounding as well as nursing because we are very short of medical people just now. This last year we have done a lot of work for the refugees and seen a lot of misery. There has been among them a great deal of sickness: dysentery, typhoid, smallpox.

The small staff here in Pasrur has been doing a lot of good work. We are happy to know that God has put us in a position where we can help many people and that the Word of God can reach them through us. We also visit homes and preach to the people. Our Bible Woman is doing fine work. We also thank the American people who are helping us here in Pakistan.

Elizabeth Hakim Din

The North Sudan

The Ministry of Preaching

OMDURMAN

1948 may be put down as the first complete year in which we have occupied the new Bible Women's residences in Omdurman. The garden has grown luxuriantly — trees that were scarcely more than sprigs when we planted them now tip the level of the second floor of the missionary residence; red roses bloom profusely; two gardenia bushes are doing well; we have been pleased with a beautiful red bougainvillaea that has succeeded. We pray that this growth of plant life that is visible may have its conterpart in spiritual good that comes from the planting of the Word in the minds and hearts of the Sudanese girls and women of the city.

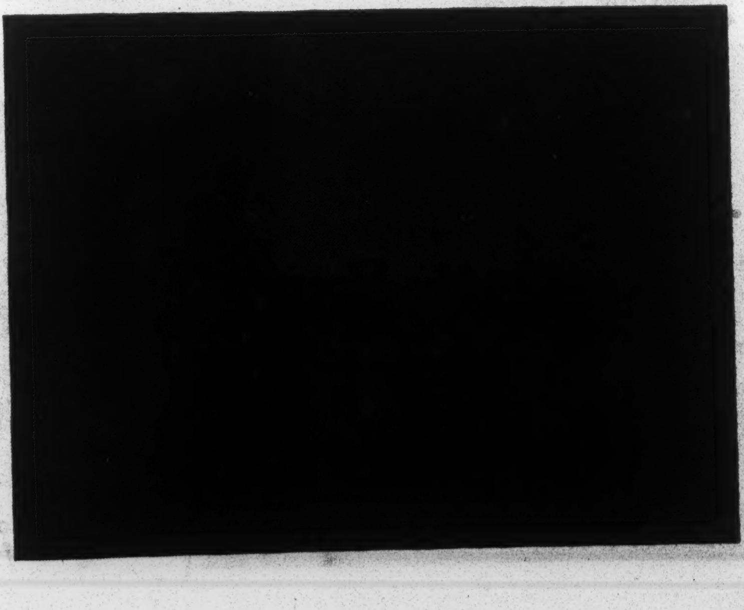
Our roll of pupils in the homes averaged 245 the first part of the year. Since the opening of work after summer vacation we have had three instead of four regular teachers so the average was brought down to about 190. It is encouraging, however, that of this number the great majority have continued over quite a period of time so that 130 have reached the *Life of Christ* or have completed it and have gone on to further stories. Half of the remaining 60 will have reached the *Life of Christ* in a very few weeks.

The Monday afternoon sewing class which offers another opportunity to give the Gospel story had good attendance. Before the summer it had reached an attendance of 65 girls and women. Since then it has been lower but is growing gradually. The greatest number of the girls show enthusiasm for crochet to decorate their tobes, but some this year have been more practical in their choice and are learning knitting and how to cut out garments. The many pairs of many colored shoes and sandals that they step out of and leave at the edge of the veranda during the class period make a gay display.

We are grateful for the many open doors and seem only limited in what we might do by a shortage of native workers.

ATBARA

The work of the two teachers at Atbara has gone well with a full roll. The work has been visited occasion-



Bible Teachers starting for the day's work, Omdurman, North Sudan

ally by Miss McKnight and part of the pupils were seen during the year by myself. Most of the Atbara pupils are anxious to learn and make good progress in reading.

PORT SUDAN

The two teachers at Port Sudan have carried on commendably. They find many of their pupils fanatical but that has frightened them into making the way of salvation very plain whenever the opportunity presents itself. We feel that their insistence on this has strengthened their esteem in the eyes of their pupils instead of weakening it. I visited the work there for two weeks in the Spring and was pleased with the good work these young women are doing.

E. Verna Pillow

WAD MEDANI

At Wad Medani the teachers have been changed during the year, which caused some loss of pupils on the one hand, with gain on the other, in all a net gain of 20 pupils. One fact worthy of note is the return of a large group of former pupils who in 1942 became so fanatical that they threatened to break up the work in Medani. There are also some pupils of the Bible Woman who started the work in Medani who have returned. All mention her with the greatest appreciation. We give thanks for the open doors.

Mary E. Coie

KHARTOUM NORTH AND ENVIRONS

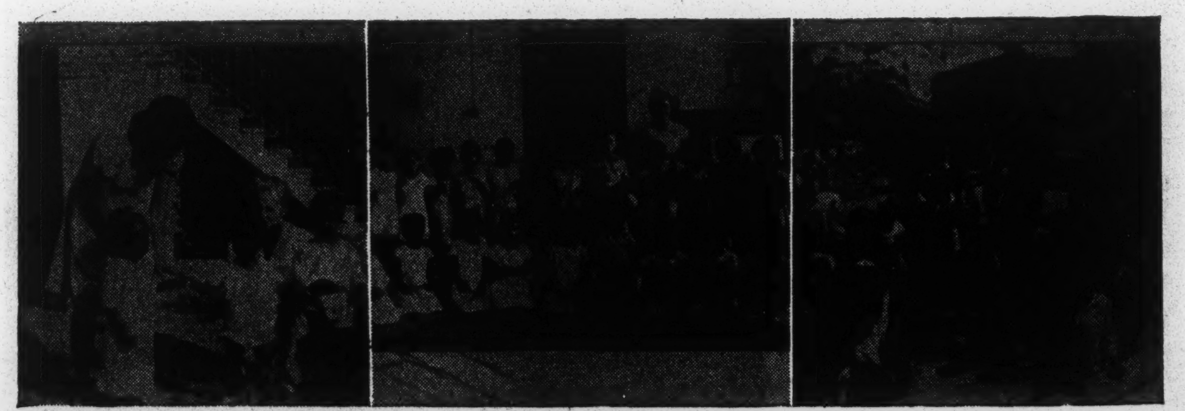
The year 1948 has been very busy. There has been no lessening of the opportunities for giving the message in the homes in spite of political conditions and a changing government.

Several afternoon schools have been started by the government and otherwise for the education of the women. Various kinds of handwork are taught along with the three R's but their increase has not in any way affected our opportunities. Only the scarcity of workers has held us back from reaching out even farther. Only two students have been enrolled in the Christian Training School throughout the year and this is by no means adequate to the needs of the work.

Two students received their diplomas in August at the time of our yearly institute. Unfortunately one of those has been married very recently. It is a matter of real concern to some of us that the indigenous Church does not feel her responsibility toward encouraging young women to go into this service for the Lord.

We do rejoice, however, that two of the mothers of the church who gave a day of voluntary service each week last year, have continued throughout this year.

Another branch of the adult education which does not rightly come in with the work among women, but



Girl's Boarding School, Khartoum North

Three Orphans at the G.B.S. Band Class Pupils at Breakfast Recess, G.B.S with which I have been vitally connected, is the work for the men at Gereif. I am sure that the women of our Church would want to know that it fell to my lot to take over the nucleus of a night school which had been begun and which needed encouragement. About 25 or 30 have been enrolled. Some are farmers, car drivers, or engaged in work in the town but living in the village.

You will not find this school listed among the other schools of the Sudan for up to the present time it has not received any financial help from our missionary societies in the homeland. The service rendered by the two helping me has been entirely voluntary and they have really entered into it whole-heartedly.

The night school is held in the building of the Boys' Day School. Since we have no electricity at Gereif, our first need was for lights sufficient for night study. Three were purchased through a generous gift from a personal friend in Denver. The men bring their contributions for the kerosene for the lamps voluntarily and the money has always been on hand when needed. Of course they buy the books and utensils that are required.

You will rejoice with me to know that one of these young men has found Christ and he is anxious that others may know of Him too. The Gospel message is always given at the close of the lessons each night and I thank God for the interest manifested. The night school is carried on three nights a week.

I covet your earnest prayers for this work for I truly believe that others will come out for Him if we lay hold on the power from on high.

Una Coie

KHARTOUM NORTH

This has been a wonderful year in the Sudan. Truly the Lord has blessed the work and the workers. Most of my time is still taken up with language study but I have finally come to the place where I can use the language to some extent.

The past few months have been devoted to study of the classical, written Arabic, the grammar of which is somewhat confusing to me, but gradually it becomes more clear. The work of the third term is finished and I will take my test sometime next week. Besides grammar there have been lessons in reading, writing, composition, translation, memorization and conversation.

It is a real joy to be able to read the Word of God in another language. It brings out new depths of meaning that one has never realized before.

Our lack of Bible Women has greatly curtailed the work that we would like to do, but the Lord is not forgetting us and it is a real joy to go out with the women two days a week to see the work that is being done.

The Lord has been very good to us this year, and with your prayers behind us the next year will be even more fruitful for Him. We do thank you for your prayers that have availed much for us here.

Aleta J. Matthews

View of the Nile

The Ministry of Teaching

ATBARA,

Anglo-Egyptian Sudan

I am sure that many of you did respond to our appeal for support in prayer as we opened the schools here last September for everything has gone smoothly. The enrollment has gone up steadily in both schools. This December we had a total of 270 in the two schools, and that is higher than last December before the trouble over the teaching of religion began. A few children did not return whose people probably objected on that score but a number of others came new to the school or returned so that soon we had more than we had had before the disturbance began last spring.

Last spring a railway strike made everything very unsettled in this town where nearly everyone depends on railways for a livelihood. Though the political situation is still somewhat unsettled and one is not sure what the outcome will be, people seem more settled than last year.

This month we have lost quite a number at the top, however, due to the government opening new work for girls. Eight, I think, have gone from our school, all but one of whom were in the high school. It leaves small classes, but by combining classes we have been able to add the third year and it will be the largest class in the high school.

We regret the loss of the Fadl family of four very clever youngsters. The father has been transferred to Port Sudan and has very little if any choice. The oldest girl, I think without doubt, is the top of the whole school. We have no school at Port Sudan. Of course the father will do something about keeping the boys in school but, I fear, not the girls. Another poor child is the little girl of about 12 whose mother died during the vacation and she must stay at home to take care of her baby brother—about eight-months-old.

Miss McClellan is to be here this coming year and I am sure will be able to improve the educational standards as a result of her long years of experience in school work in The Sudan.

Thanks to the Junior Exhibit we were able to give each child a gift the day we dismissed before Christmas. There were some stuffed dolls and animals. We had the teachers in one afternoon and made more of the same in order to have enough for two nursery classes and two kindergartens; there had been just about enough for one class. But one little girl in second grade cried and cried and would not even take the pencil and pad home which had been her gift for she wanted a doll. I suspect she has never had a doll.

Will you not please continue to remember us in prayer? We need more teachers and I fear it will be increasingly hard to staff the schools with the government employing young women and paying a little bigger salaries than we are able to pay, and in addition to the basic salary a cost of living allowance of from 90% to 100%. They need the higher salaries for everything continues to go up. This week we noted that most of the commonest articles of food are at least twice the pre-war price and many are three to four times their former price. But with it all, we have 17 Christian teachers and in our high school a few good prospects for future teachers.

There are two Bible Women here and they have been well received in the town where the really native people live. My school work does not allow me to spend as much time visiting in the homes as I would like, but I know that the Word is being taught.

I will be coming home this spring and hope to meet many old friends and make new friends in the Church.

Mary Jane McKnight

KHARTOUM NORTH

1. We are grateful for God's wonderful care of our large school family throughout another year:

(a) We have leaned heavily upon our Home Board and we have again found its women understanding, sympathetic and most generous.

(b) We have felt conscious of our supporting Church whose prayers and gifts have eliminated for us undue concern about meeting our financial demands.

(c) We constantly receive help from our government in this our adopted land varying from obtaining land for our schools to finding people who service our plumbing and swings, to those who look after our safety who, too, are instruments of God's care.

(d) We have enjoyed health and those who have been set aside through illness have found refuge in clinics and hospitals. We have appreciated dental care for our many children.

(e) In most cases we have had fine cooperation from our patrons and the people of our community.

(f) In the past year we have been able to build two new village schools which make three fine two-room schools within a radius of three miles of our central school. In these we teach 246 children. There is not one Christian child among these kiddies and most of them are black and shiny (shiny with radiance because they are in school.)

2. We have enjoyed the efficient help of Miss Helen McCoy whose years of experience in teaching in the United States stand us in good stead. In the absence of Miss Marguerite McClellan, our principal, Miss McCoy and Miss Mary L. Shields have taken over all the difficulties of education in our schools here in Khartoum North. In the absence of Miss Carolyn E. Brewer, the Home Economics Department has been directed by one of our own graduates whom Carolyn had trained and she has done a nice piece of work in that department. We have carried on the clinic work through our high school girls for whom this work was intended, though we have not been able to open our doors to village babies whose mothers in the past have been wanting to bring them to us in large numbers. We have devoted to this work one hour daily and given the time to the care of those who come to the clinic from our own schools and to the care of our three orphans who also give training in baby care to our girls.

3. At present we are carrying on a class in Infant Welfare for our girls who are in Red Cross work. There are 29 in the class, one being a former student here who is now the mother of seven children.

4. Two afternoons weekly three teachers and I teach women in a near-by village.

It is fun having such a lot to do but we need a longer class.

Frances Turk, R.N.

The New Church, Omdurman, North Sudan

The South Sudan

The Ministry of Preaching

EVANGELISTIC WORK AMONG WOMEN IN THE NASIR DISTRICT

Because of having no missionary who could give this work full-time supervision, we have not been able to carry forward the full program very successfully. During the month of March, four teams of two each carried on as they had done under Miss Huffman's supervision in January and February. When the men returned to Atar, Obel, and their teaching, we had one team working full-time and one of the clinic men, Bayak, going out four afternoons a week. In August for various reasons, the team stopped, leaving only Bayak. Since December 1st when Kuac Nyuot returned from Atar, and Mun Omut was relieved from his school duties, the three men have been going out separately. These three men, we feel, are sincere Christians, and we believe they seek and received God's guidance both in this work and in their lives.

Mrs. Charles Jordan
Jean Maxwell
Mary Smith
Marian Farquhar

The Ministry of Teaching

DOLEIB HILL, SOUTH SUDAN

Another year of discouragements and encouragements has rolled around. Twelve schools have had an enrollment of 395 boys and 135 girls. That sounded good to me until the teachers made a canvass of their villages and found considerably more boys and girls not attending school than those attending. When you consider that there are 25 or more villages for whom we have done nothing, what we are doing seems but a scratch on the surface. Two other villages had prepared housing for a school but we could not supply the teachers. We are hoping that they can be taken care of this year.

We had five approved teachers through the year and had hoped to have four more by the end of the year but two of these failed to make the grade so we start the New Year with seven. An approved teacher is one who has had a year's course in Teacher Training either at Atar or Obel besides some years of experience. Besides these we have six selected teachers who have had some experience in teaching and one month's special course in Teacher Training. For the approved and selected teachers there is a set scale of salaries made by the government with grants toward their salaries. Then we have some sub-grade teach-

Girls of the South Sudan

The Reverend Mr. W. J. Adair, Visiting One of the Sudan Village Schools

ers who receive no pay from the government but are our responsibility completely.

Our class for teachers held once a week for a two-hour period has continued throughout the year and an intensive course in Teacher Training was given to all but the approved teachers during the month of December at Obel. We feel that our teachers have made real growth during the year and are much encouraged. Besides having a Bible lesson each day during the week for the boys and girls, these teachers have Sabbath morning services for the villages as well. The Bible study and prayer at Obel with the teachers was a real inspiration to me and I am very much hoping and praying that the teacher group can be welded into real fellowship of prayer and mutual helpfulness.

Our class for the wives of our teachers and leaders continues but has been somewhat interrupted by the arrival of several babies in the group. Some of them walk rather far to carry a baby and have no one at home to care for the child. We made a small beginning towards having some of the women start teaching the women in their villages and are hoping to develop this much further in the New Year.

Since our government is endeavoring to train the Africans to take over more and more of the responsibility of ruling their country it has just launched an African Legislative Assembly in Khartoum. Since non-Christians make up the large majority of the Assembly, there are those who predict stormy weather for the future of our work, especially in the educational work. The Minister of Education is asking for all kinds of reports on our educational work in the South Sudan so we know not what the future holds.

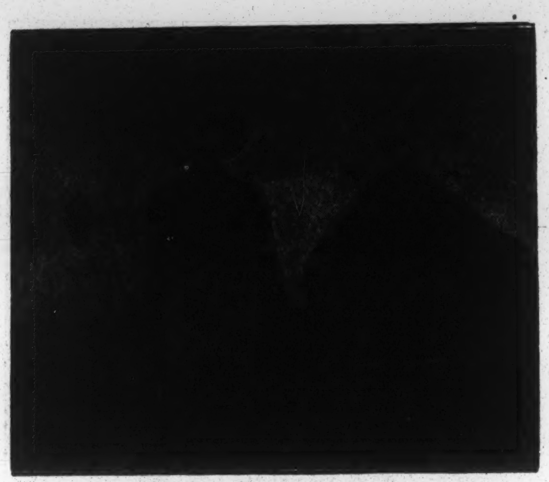
With your prayers and all of the resources of God at our disposal for the asking, may we be prepared to meet the storm and weather it. "The battle is the Lord's."

Elsie E. Grove

THE NASIR GIRLS' SCHOOL

The Nasir Girls' School opened on April 2 and closed on November 26 with an average attendance somewhat lower than that of 1947. Those who did come were much more regular. Most of those who are left seem more serious—and in two cases their families seem serious—about getting an "education."

Of the five girls who began in class one, none came enough to be promoted; of the four in the 1st division of class 2, one dropped out early, one will repeat, one was pro-



A Shulla Boy, South Sudan

moted to the 2nd division of class 2, and one was promoted to class 3; the little girl in the 2nd division of class 2 was promoted to class 3. I feel that we did a much better job with these girls this year in respect to academic subjects, activities, and consecutive Bible study . . . and anyone of them alone is worth any amount of time and effort.

Besides these girls, we had two kindergarten divisions in the central school with attendance ranging between 32 and 7. Of the 7 really regular attenders, only 3 were girls. But at least 3 of the little boys—and possibly the other one—are little boys with real promise. One is definitely a second generation Christian (son of Mun Omut) who shows the effect of a good Christian father; one is a nephew of Gila Muon, Akobo's really fine Anuak leader who died; and one a relative of one of our most promising clinic boys.

Older people know what to say in front of the missionary, and what not to say . . . but little kiddies often say many things by which we know how strong a hold some of their superstitions really have on them. One of the stories I like best from the whole year is the day about a dozen little kindergartners were playing around me at recess time and one of them said, "Nyakuan, why do you have this hoe here? Is it for your garden?" "No," I said, "it's down here to kill snakes." 'Oh, Nyakuan," one little one cried out, "*don't* kill snakes. They're gods and they'll do very bad things to you if you kill them!" "That's true, Nyakuan," most of them said. "You don't know what terrible things they'll do to you." I just grinned and was about to answer when Yoiyoi, Mun's son, said, "Wa. Snakes aren't gods. They can't do one thing to you after they're dead. The God up in heaven is the only god there is and He takes care of you all the time!" Too many of our folks, even baptized ones, say they believe in the God of heaven, but they want to keep on the safe side of all the gods. But you can tell the depth of Mun's faith when it comes out through the mouth of his son.

Perhaps the most encouraging feature of the year was the village kindergartens! Two of the three we had last year and two more carried on through most of the year. Those four teachers are doing a good job under very trying circumstances. One of them has six promising little girls and her whole community points to the project with pride. Although all three of the younger teachers meet much indifference and even opposition in their communities, they are making gain. One has two promising girls and another, four or five boys; another a group of four or five little girls and as many little boys who make her work difficult by coming about every other day; and the last one has done a superior piece of work in teaching Bible memory work and arithmetic to from four to six little boys, the community refusing to allow any of their little girls to come.

Again let me reiterate, the figures are low and discouraging, but I believe God is in it and I feel that we must not let it drop now. I still feel that in girls' education is the hope of Christian homes and a Christian nation in the Sudan.

Marian Farquhar

The Ministry of Healing

NASIR CLINIC

There is much cause for thanksgiving and rejoicing for the blessings that have been ours in the clinic work at Nasir this past year. The native helpers we were so much needing a year ago have been sent to us. One, Cuol Bidon, a Malakal trained dresser with about four years of experience came to us last January. I regret that his immediate cause for resigning government employ was due to a serious misunderstanding, but he had previously stated his desires to work with the Mission and he was referred directly to me by the P.M.I., Malakal. He could not have come at a time when he was more needed. He has lifted a heavy load of routine from our shoulders. But better yet, his radiant Christian life is a strong witness to the patients, to our clinic helpers and he takes an active part in the Church life at Nasir. Aside from Cuol we have had five other regular clinic boys. Their capability, willingness and good nature under long, hard hours of work, real responsibility and small salaries have been a constant joy to us. Three of these men are Christians and we have seen many signs of spiritual growth in their lives this past year. One of these three has been accepted at Atar in April with the hope that after completion of the intermediate school he may be able to take further training at Juba.

Aside from the above-mentioned six full-time clinic helpers we have four part-time men. One of these in the central school at Nasir has expressed his desire for full-time medical service and helps now in the afternoons, Saturdays and during vacations. At the end of another year we hope he will be ready to go to Atar and so proceed to fuller training. Another man is still in the intermediate school at Atar. Two others graduated from Atar in December and have been accepted at the government hospital in Juba for the training of medical assistants.

Another great cause for thankfulness has been the sense of the presence of God working in our midst as the Great Healer. More than once during the year patients have been restored when all human help seemed of no avail and He has constantly given wisdom and direction in the handling of difficult cases.

We often feel disappointed and discouraged because we do not see more spiritual results, more changed lives due to our efforts, but even here we are now and again permitted a bit of encouragement which we trust is indicative of much we do not see. One man who came to us against the advice of his villagers and was with us in the clinic for some time to recover from a serious ailment seemed to have had a real experience in which he found a great radiant happiness. Though he has not inquired yet for baptism we feel that he has a saving knowledge of our Lord in his heart. Another old man, very ill with tuberculosis after three years of intermittent clinic attendance was carried back to us by his children a few days before his death, saying he wished to die at the place of Jesus. In the face of the almost inborn desire of the Nilotic to die and be buried by his barn, we feel that this was significant.

We now have eight clinic tukls for in-patients which have been built entirely by gifts from friends at home. These tukls are invaluable and are always full. Our great trouble is deciding which of the very ill who come need the houses most.

Two new features have been introduced into our routine this year. Miss Jean Maxwell, M.N., and Cuol Bidon have instituted evening prayers with the families in the in-patient department and I have been able to have a Bible class for our clinic helpers. These we have found to be of great blessing to ourselves as well as to those for whom they are held.

NEEDS

More money is badly needed for the running expenses of our clinic. Our total number of treatments this year was over 64,000. For this we receive L.E. 70 per annum from the Mission. We take in roughly L.E. 300 in fees per annum. Last year it was necessary to draw heavily on our nest egg of Medical Specials in order to clear our accounts. This year it will be necessary to do this again, practically depleting our Special Fund. We had hoped to use this money for equipment and more buildings, etc. We are increasing our fees. We are asking that the Women's Board be asked to give special consideration to the allotment made to medical work at Nasir.

We feel keenly the need for a hospital at Nasir.

But our needs are not only in material things. We long for greater opportunities of direct evangelism in connection with our medical work. We look forward to the time when our clinic helpers will be even more evangelistically-minded than they are now. We hope to introduce the Laubach system among our in-patients soon.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CLASS VI, NASIR

December 1947 — December 1948

Total patients	59,778
Total treatments	64,465
Total clinic days	263
Average daily patients	227
Average daily treatments	245
Total admissions as new patients	5,036
Average daily admissions as new patients (263 clinic days)	19

Mary K. Smith, M.D.

NASIR CLINIC

As I started the year of 1948 my "friends" told me in cheerful tones that a missionary's second year is always the hardest one. But on the contrary I found it easier and more enjoyable than the first. It is true that the glamor had worn off to a large extent but that was an advantage rather than otherwise. After all, we aren't out here for glamor. By the beginning of my second year the language was not just a muddle of incomprehensible syllables. Many Nuers were my friends, and I felt that my work was important and useful to the Lord, if only in a small way.

Much of the year was spent in the clinic doing the ordinary tasks there. For two months I was in charge—a new experience — while Dr. Mary Smith was on vacation. Those days were hard ones but beautiful ones in many ways; they encourage me as I look forward to being alone during Mary's furlough year. Some of the year was also spent in language study with a whole month of Miss Esther Cummings to spur us on and teach us. Her visit was not only educational in the realm of language study, but it was a blessing in many other ways.

The best part of 1948 for me was the addition to my schedule of prayers in the evening with our in-patients. Those short services with those people taught me as much as I hope and pray it has taught them. Another phase of our work has been the starting of some Sabbath Schools up the river. The trips up to those villages every Sabbath afternoon have been high spots of the year. All in all the Lord has blessed me over and above and abundantly more than I deserve or dared to hope.

Jean Maxwell, M.N.

Ethiopia

The Ministry of Teaching

SAYO

Work among the women had been at a stand still in Sayo for a time. The former Bible Women were both in the hospital, one as a patient, and the other in training. While their witness for the Lord was being faithfully given—yet there was no worker to go out among the people. This was a matter of prayer for our station.

Then the ministerial students began to move on the compound with their families, and it seemed as though the Lord called us into a work among their wives. A class was begun for these women — alphabet, Bible study and teaching. The eleven enrolled were faithful in their attendance. One evidence in their growth came through the weekly prayer meeting for the women of the compound. A year ago it was a meeting where one woman led in prayer followed by the Lord's prayer and then a time of coffee drinking when the husbands joined for the fellowship. Today there is a leader for each meeting; there is singing, reading of the Scriptures, a discussion of prayer needs, and earnest prayer. Out of this group has come one who is doing part-time visitation work in one of the church communities.

Another weekly meeting is being held for teen-age girls. There are usually 14 or 16 in attendance and the girls are seemingly growing in the things of the Lord. Our great desire for these girls is that some of them will be led into service for the Lord. Three have answered the call to teach Sabbath School in our mission church and are taking the class turn about. Each one comes regularly for the study class whether it is her turn to teach or not. We praise the Lord for the willingness of the elders in allowing these girls to share in the work. There was a time when they would not allow such help.

Ethiopian Missionaries Supported by the W.G.M.S., attending the Association Meeting: E. Halewood, N. Pollock, R. Walker, M. Faught, R. Nichol, R. Beatty, H. McGeary, I. Blair

This is only a beginning, but we pray the Lord will bless the work and open up other opportunities to reach the women for Christ.

Hazel McGeary

SAYO SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Two years ago today there was a group of five blind people, led by as many sighted persons, who slowly made their way to the mission house where the new missionary had recently arrived. They had a special reason for coming to express their greeting, for they had heard this new missionary was to be their teacher. It was quite an experience to watch blind Gidada turn over his four students. He was proud of them and anxious that they have an examination immediately that it might be shown what they knew. There was an examination and there was talk and there was much prayer for God's blessing and guidance in the opening of work among the blind in western Ethiopia.

Miss Hazel McGeary Teaching the Blind

Today when the school bell rang there was a happy chorus of seventeen who answered the missionary's morning greeting, and although school was still being held under the trees, yet there is definite evidence of school buildings going up, for which we thank the Lord.

During the past year there has been a slow increase in enrollment, which has had to be limited because of lack of dormitory space. At first the students were from our church communities, but now we are beginning to reach other villages and there are some who are coming who have never heard of the Lord Jesus. Four students have united with the church and two more are studying in the Communicants' Class. We praise the Lord for this evidence of the working of His Spirit in convicting men of sin.

Our common interest these days is in the building of our school. It will be native-type construction, mud and stick with grass roofs. Five tukls have been completed, including two for dormitory use, kitchen, dining room and store house. The skeleton work of the school building is up and we hope soon to have it become more substantial looking through the aid of mud. All of this construction work is made possible through an annuity gift by Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Matthews, former missionaries among the Indians at home. This work is to be a memorial to the faithful service which they so lovingly rendered their Saviour and Lord.

Hazel McGeary

GOREI

During the past year I taught Bible twice a week in the government school in Gorei to over one hundred girls. Some of these girls come from Coptic Christian homes and some from purely pagan homes. All are eager to learn. Among the older girls one could see a growing interest in the Bible study and faith dawning in some faces. The meetings for women in the homes were continued as were the weekly prayer meetings. Several of the women learned to read during the year. This work was only recently started again and we were sorry to have to leave it and come home for furlough. We trust that the seed sown will bear fruit for the Master. Once a week a large group of school boys and girls met in the church after school for a psalm-hymn sing. We feel that this is a good way to get the Gospel into the hearts and minds of the youth. These songs learned in childhood, come to mind over and over again through the years and we believe this type of memory work will bring these boys and girls closer to the Saviour.

Isabel Blair

THE GIRLS' SCHOOL

ADDIS ABABA

The Girls' School, Addis Ababa, continued to run as a day school through July, 1948. During the rainy months of June and July, three classes were held in the hospital chapel in order to alleviate the crowded conditions of having the entire school in the missionary bungalow. (The chapel of the hospital continues to be the only part of the George Memorial Hospital that the mission is allowed to use.)

During the month of August a teachers' training course was held. The limitations of the untrained teaching staff made us feel that such a period of instruction was imperative. Looking forward to a larger school in the new term, we were anxious that a new teacher share with us in this course. A new girl was with us for a few days and then dropped out. It was not possible to find anyone to take her place in time for the teachers' course. Our disappointment in this matter was keen.

In October, the school reopened with a boarding department, preceded by moving and much preparation during the month of September. The present location of the school was formerly the doctors' and nurses' residence. It is a two-story stone building that adapts itself surprisingly, if not too suitably, to a school. Three classes meet in what was formerly the large living room of the house. Two more classes meet in the former dining room, and two other groups meet on the front veranda. The other rooms of the first floor are reserved for the mission business office and living quarters for Mrs. Walker and myself. Dormitories for the girls and the teachers are on the second story of the house. By considerable over-crowding, as many as forty-two boarders, in addition to the five teachers and the matron, have been housed. What was once a workshop is being used for the school dining room. The garage has been converted into the school kitchen. The former tennis court makes a fine playground for the youngsters. This big house has known the sound of many voices in times past, but never before have the happy shouts and cries of some ninety children been heard daily within its environs.

Ringing the School Bell, Ethiopia

During the course of the school year, one of our teachers has had to give up her work because of tuberculosis. She has gone back to Sayo, her home country, and is receiving treatment in our hospital there. She is a promising young woman, and we yearn for prayer for her recovery. A short time ago, also, our senior teacher was off duty for many weeks, due to an abdominal operation. With the help of missionaries and a former pupil, we have been able to carry on the teaching program.

In the past year the school children have participated in three special programs. At Easter, 1948, slides of the Easter story were shown, accompanied by songs and scripture recitations by the children. In July, the school term closed with a program of songs, recitations, and a short playlet by the children. At Christmas time, the Christmas story was dramatized, colorfully and effectively. On two occasions, there was a display and sale of the girls' handwork.

During February, Dr. Don McClure of the Sudan was here with us in Ethiopia and conducted a week of special services for the school girls. It was a time of rich blessing and some real decisions were made for Christ. A candlelight service of dedication held on Sabbath evening will long be remembered by the girls.

During the past year, clouds of uncertainty have continued to hang low over the future of the mission property. Withal, the Lord has blessed and in this year, there has been the fulfillment of the desire and vision to reorganize a Girls' Boarding School in this place. We are thankful and many rejoice with us.

Ruth M. Nichol

The Ministry of Healing

MAJI, ETHIOPIA

I fear this report will be a recital of "much moving about" and not so much consistent clinic work, but circumstances are to blame for that.

We did not get away from Addis Ababa, for various reasons, until May 5. I had gone in from Sayo in February expecting to start to Maji soon thereafter. These post-war days, trying to get all the necessary papers and permits in Addis Ababa entails much trying of patience and delay. When we did leave Addis Ababa the rains had already begun farther south, so that we encountered worse and worse muddy roads the farther we went.

We arrived in Maji toward the end of June and were housed in the government compound. Then there was the question of choosing a site for the Mission, which was quickly settled, thanks to the good offices of Lij. Tadessa Hebta Mariam (former clinic helper in Gorei with Dr. Daugherty, and a staunch friend of the Mission) who is Deputy Governor of Maji. Through him building was soon under way because he found the necessary workmen and materials for building for us. Without him we should have been terribly delayed because it is difficult to get the Majis to work. They like to stay in their houses, hovering over their smoky fires, until well into the forenoon because it is cold in Maji, and they do not wear many, if any, clothes.

Finally, in September, the clinic was sufficiently finished to begin the medical work. Not that there had been no medical work before! They began coming shortly after we arrived and were treated in the government compound, or else in their own homes until the clinic opened. Mr. Russell worked hard to get the clinic ready for occupancy. Of course there had to be a room that could be locked to use as a drug and store room. Wood is hard to get here, and what does come is the rough-hewn logs from the forest. For that reason there are still two windows in the clinic that are just apertures and the wind, at times, blows through unmercifully.

A look at the statistics will show that there is a preponderance of Amharas. They are mostly soldiers, and their wives and dependents. They keep a large force of soldiers in Maji

The Type of Ethiopian Road Missionaries Travel to Maji

Worshippers Leaving Sayo Church

because they send numbers of them to the south parts of the country, making Maji the headquarters. These soldiers hate to be sent from the highlands here to the lowlands where malaria is rampant. The number of tribes represented will show, too, that the "Gift of tongues" would be a real boon. There are five tribes in this region and each one has its own language and most of them do not know any other. Some of the Majis know Amharic, especially those who live here in the town of Maji. Only occasionally can an interpreter be found for the Tirmas, Tishanas, and Galab. Fortunately, in medical work, their symptoms speak for themselves so that they can be treated for their bodily ills, but how to get the Gospel to them is another matter. One longs to see them converted, yet how can they hear in an unknown tongue? We need workers, and what a challenge this should be to the indigenous church. Do please join us in prayer that soon we might have a beginning group of Maji believers in this place. Those in turn could go to the other tribes which are mostly pagan.

The medical work was interrupted in November, after the rains quit, by the necessity of going to Bonga to fetch my household things that had been left there when we came through, and was not resumed again until December 13. Word is getting around again that the clinic is open and more people are beginning to come. Several tiny infants have been ill with pneumonia lately. What a boon is penicillin in such cases! Literally, the lame, the halt and the blind come to the clinic even as they did in the time of the Lord, hoping to be healed. Let us be fervent in prayer that soon there may be some fruit for the Kingdom through this beginning work in Maji clinic.

P.S. It would not be proper to send this report without recording my thanks and appreciation to the Board for the gift of the Jeep. It has been such a convenience and comfort.

Nessie F. Pollock

STATISTICAL REPORT OF MAJI CLINIC

September to December, 1948

New Patients	417
Attendances	358
Outside Visits	70
Intravenous Injections	300
Other Injections	391
Penicillin Injections	16

Children	75	Full price	117
Men	215	Part price	48
Women	128	Free	252

Religions Represented

Ethiopian Copt	343
Muslims	20
Pagan	52
Evangelical	1
Roman Catholic	1

Tribes Represented

Amhara	205
Galla	72
Maji	103
Tirma	7
Galab	1
Tishana	7
Tigre	3
Kaffa	3
Wallamo	6
Gofa	2
Guragi	1
Eritrean	2
Konta	2
Ghimeera	2
Arab	1

Sayo Clinic — Keis Gidada Conducting Morning Devotions

For June and July, before the clinic was opened, there were 316 visits and treatments and 28 intravenous injections were given.

The item "Attendances" are repeat visits of the same patients. When they come first I call them *new patients* and after that *attendances*.

SAYO, ETHIOPIA

As I write this report I have been in Sayo a year and two months. When I came here it was like coming to a different country, my third mission field. The people, language, and climate differ from those in Addis Ababa. It has meant new adjustments, not always easy to make, but now Sayo is home to me, and the nicest place in Ethiopia. Ask any Sayoite! We think it is the best place to live and work, though I am afraid the Maji folks will dispute that now. My induction into the work here was gradual. When I first came I studied the language in the mornings, and helped in the operating room in the afternoons. That did not give me much contact with the staff or patients. The Misses Ruth Beatty and Eileen Halewood were here then. Doreen Payne came for six months to train our hospital workers. Then one by one the other nurses went, and for two months now I have been alone. There are many duties and responsibilities, but the Lord gives strength for them all. I do enjoy the contacts with the patients in the wards and in the clinic, as well as my operating room work. The work that really suffers now is the training of our Ethiopian helpers. To date we have no fully trained Ethiopian nurses, though some are well trained in their jobs. We look forward to the day when we shall have them, and be able to send them out to conduct clinics among their own people.

It is always good to recount the new things that have been started in the work. You have read the account of our Well Baby Clinic in the *Magazine,* and it continues to be a weekly job, but a happy one. Since starting the sale of Amharic Scriptures and tracts, there has been a good monthly sale at the clinic, and we need to back that up with prayer that God will use His Word as it has gone forth. The Gospel is preached daily to the clinic and in-patients and occasionally God allows us to see results. Our church out here grows slowly but surely, for it is no easy or hasty thing for anyone to become a church member. When candidates fail to qualify the first time, they go on to three more months of study, so they are well grounded in the truths.

Pray for us that all of our work may be used of God to bring the lost and wandering ones to God the Father through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Marjorie Faught*

Egypt

The Ministry Of Preaching

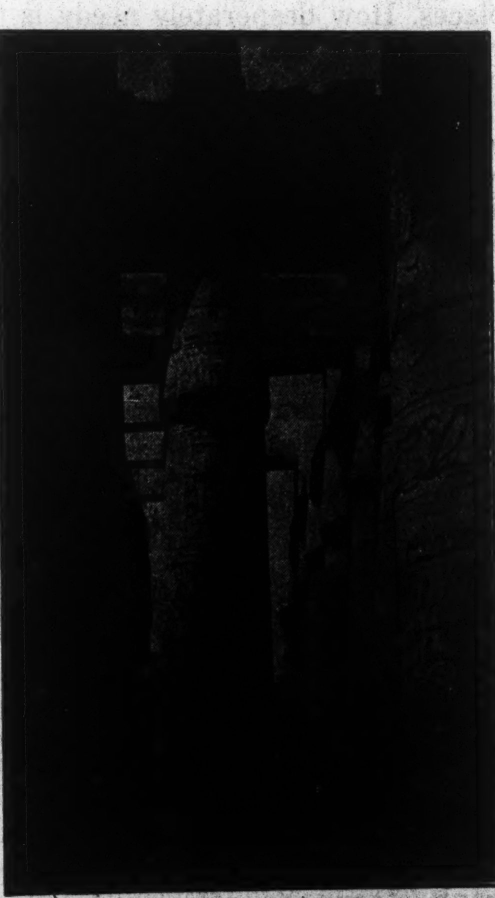
LUXOR DISTRICT, EGYPT

The work this year has gone along as usual. The Bible teachers and I were able to visit about eight different villages near Luxor. They wanted us to come every week but if we can go once a year we are fortunate. The flannelgraph Bible pictures continue to be of great interest and help hold the attention, in spite of wandering goats, sheep, chickens, geese and pigeons walking among us. The busses which go to many of these places are rickety, very crowded and uncertain as to schedule. Sometimes we sit by the roadside for a couple of hours before they come along. We long for a car once more to reach places which are not on the bus lines.

As to our Sabbath Schools we had to give up one of them—the big boys were so annoying, screaming after us and throwing dirt into the windows if we did not let them in or give them picture cards. But the oldest one still goes on. A little six-year-old Muslim boy is an interested listener. He quiets the children around him who make a disturbance. When we had the story and picture of the Crucifixion he listened very intently and then kissed the corner of the picture lovingly. Recently we began a new class on Friday afternoons for the Coptic children who go to the government schools and cannot come to Sabbath School. A young man of our church, a student in the Government Trade School, started it. He and one or two others teach the boys and Miss Iffa, my Bible teacher, teaches the girls. The attendance of the girls has been exceptionally good and they seem to love to come. They already know many Bible verses and hymns.

Miss Iffa continues to do good work with the under-privileged girls teaching them Bible, hymns, reading and sewing with the help of a young girl who is clever in sewing. I help as I am able. The girls are delighted when they can read the Gospel and hymns. As to sewing they want to embroider fancy table-covers or slips for their "hope chests." It is difficult to get them to make underwear. Some bring material for dresses and we help them make them. We have about 15 to 20 in attendance. We have tried to do a little weaving, but not many are interested in it. These girls are learning to pray and show some evidence of new life.

At last, we have found a Bible teacher who is willing to go to Aswan. She went in January and Rev. Faheem is pleased with her help. Pray for her in this new work and



Column in Egyptian Temple

also for the school in this important place. The stairs are not finished yet because of lack of money, in fact all the repairs cost more than they expected. They have not been able to use the upstairs rooms in which the teachers live for six months. Pray for money to complete this work.

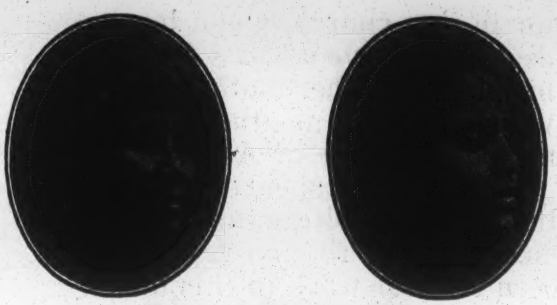
We have had many guests this year whom we enjoyed very much—Miss Cummings, a Dutch writer and his artist wife, a Muslim government inspectress, an American touring Africa on a bicycle, missionaries and Egyptian friends. We thank God for this privilege.

The work from the houseboat "Ibis" continues to be a great privilege. I have the use of the boat for two months which is not nearly long enough to visit all the churches and meeting-places in this 300-mile-long district so one year we visit south of Luxor and the next the north end. This year we have visited about 20 places. How desperately needy is the work among the women! The pastors in the smaller places cannot visit the women but only the men in their places of work. One place is especially interesting because the work has been kept alive humanly speaking by an energetic lady who once spent a few years in our Luxor school. She sponsors a girls' school and consequently almost all the women in this country church can read. When our boat anchored below the village a large crowd of youth on the high bank began to play on their flutes as Miss Iffa, a sailor and I went ashore. They mistook us for the Catholic bishop whom they had come to welcome! That is the first time I have been received by a band! We went through the narrow, crooked, damp streets to the girls' school and heard 25 small and middle-sized girls recite Bible verses and sing hymns. When we went into the church next door we found it filled with women. They listened well to the flannelgraph story and afterward bought about a dozen Bible pictures to put up in their houses. The young pastor here has started a Bible class for young men in his house in which two youths have already been converted. This woman has put her niece in our school so that she will be able to look after this small school when she herself is gone. It is truly a light in this dark place. We thank God for such servants of His as Um Sara and this young pastor.

One sees many interesting and strange sights in the life along the river. Boat-building, dyeing and washing new cloth, cutting up and washing a calf and then filling the meat with water to make it weigh more, the small rusty steamer ferry with its loads of peasants going to market sitting all over the roof as well as inside and around the edge. A water buffalo once walked across our cable which ties us to the shore and could not get away so the sailors had to release her. Camels snarl resentfully as they are loaded with grain-bags from the sailboats and peasants laboriously lift buckets of water from the river with the shadoofs to pour it into the irrigation ditches that water their fields. They labor for the meat that perishes but know nothing of the Food from Heaven that satisfies the soul forever. May our Lord grant us strength to tell more of them about HIM!

Esther W. Wilson

Church by the Riverside



Types of Egyptian Girls

ASSIUT DISTRICT

Time for a report! Must I write? What shall I write? Among the wealth of happy, interesting experiences of the year that is past what should be recorded here? How can one choose?

When last year's report was written we were planning for the Spring Presbyterial meetings in these two Presbyteries which make up this huge district. We had happy meetings. A few more women's groups have been organized because of the inspiration received at these meetings. Again, now, we are busily planning for the 1949 meetings. May these meetings, both local and Presbyterial, be an inspiration to a closer walk with God.

This year we had the use of the "Ibis" in the autumn, a better time for working in the rural places than later in the winter. The women are not quite so busy churning and making the clarified butter as they are a month later. And later still, whole families move out into the fields into rude shelters made of cornstalks to guard the crops and we do not find many at home. So we were glad to have the "Ibis" in October, November, and December this year. We could have used the boat for another month as we had to omit visiting the far-away places. We are still exploring, learning of little groups who want a visit, finding out the roads to go there (some of them quite impassable for the Ford) and, wherever possible, reaching the groups. It sometimes means leaving the car and walking quite a distance. But what a wonderful welcome when we arrive! And how we long to go regularly to these lonely places. It presents a real problem. Shall we concentrate on a few places and see some really constructive work accomplished; or shall we try to reach each place with a bit of encouragement and inspiration? How we long for more workers. Pray with us to the Lord of the Harvest.

Miss Halana was with us much of the time on the boat, inspecting libraries and promoting reading courses. We found that many of the Laubach readers had lost their zeal. They do need constant supervision and encouragement. One volunteer teacher in a village far back on the edge of the desert is the only educated woman there. That is, she knows how to read and write. She said, "I find that if a person really wants to learn she will. When I am busy baking, those who are in earnest about the lessons will come to help me so that I can find time to teach them. They are the ones who are learning. Others, even though I go to them, often have some excuse. They are too busy, or too tired. It is the longing heart that counts first of all." How true! In all of this business of living what a difference a willing heart makes!

We now have a center in Mellawi with a worker living there. Her living quarters are not good enough. More rent will be the solution, I fear. We still need one center in Deirut and one south of Assiut and the workers for them. That, too, is on our Prayer list. Meetings in five places where no work was being done for the women have been begun during this year. These women are studying God's will for their lives and are learning to take their problems to Him in prayer. One group has outgrown the homes and now wants a place to meet. They have started the movement themselves, thus stepping out into a new venture.

The flannelgraph is effective. We are trying to get two sets made for the two trained workers. When one Sabbath School, which we began recently, saw the pictures the children thought there was some sort of sorcery. The teacher invited them to come and put the figures on themselves. They were delighted to help build the picture and be "sorcerers," too!

You should see my study these days. It is serving as the clearing room for the Palestine Refugee work carried on here in Assiut by a group of Egyptian and American women. I do not have much time to help but used clothing and new outing flannel dresses for little girls are cut, sewed, and shipped out. We remember that when we clothe one of the Master's little ones we are doing it for Him.

Thus, we care for mind and soul and body as we find opportunity in the service of our Master.

Ada Acheson Dunlap

BENI SUEF

Another year has passed, bringing many opportunities for service. We have had the joy of seeing an increase in the attendance and membership of the local church and encouraging progress in the district.

The two new Bible Women who started work last year are doing well, but I have moved one of them to a center in the district which needs special help. The pastor there is in poor health, and many other things threatened the usefulness of his church. She also visits a second town, saving much extra travel.

Our Thank Offering Presbyterial meeting in March was held in one of the churches of our district, and was an encouraging and successful one, showing an increase in giving and a fine spirit. I was especially glad because the local women were able to plan for their guests, and the pastor's wife to act as president, in a very capable manner, in spite of the fact that she had a small baby. She is a daughter of the former pastor in that church. Upon her father's death her husband was chosen to fill his place. She, her mother and sisters, were educated in the Pressly Memorial Institute in Assiut.

After that I spent four weeks on the "Ibis," visiting and conducting meetings, but this autumn it has not been free for work in this district.

We need your prayers, for us and for our fellow - Christians. Recent events seem to have cleared the air, and there is a better spirit between the different religious faiths, which may lead to more opportunities for witnessing to our Master.

Nellie C. Smith

FAYOUM

A big part of the work of a district lady missionary is to plan for women's meetings of various kinds. As you know, it takes time to plan and carry out interesting and helpful programs. It also takes much skill and patience to get as many as possible to share in the work. We find that, with some exceptions, those who have had training in our schools, are the ones most willing and able to serve. However, even these often disappoint us since it seems so very easy to lose the vision and the call to serve others.

Right now we are planning the program for the Presbyterial to be held here in March. The committee chose as the theme verse, "Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples." Our theme song will be the Arabic translation of the Chinese hymn in the December *Magazine.* (See Page 194)

Egyptian women, like many in America, do not care to go to meetings when the weather is bad. Recently cold winds, rain and plenty of dust, cut down the attendance in several meetings. Arriving in T—— one afternoon we found no one in the church and the pastor's family shivering in their home next to the church. There was no glass in the windows (not because they wouldn't like to have glass!) and the temporary thin wooden shutters did not keep out the icy blasts. The house was dark, too, as it was impossible, because of the wind, to keep the lamp burning. Finally some women came and we held a meeting in a neighbor's house where there was enough light to carry on. The pastor in this village has two country charges and two village schools. His people are mostly very poor and I have great admiration for his faith and energy. I wish I could give them a financial boost as they seem worthy of it!

How many, many widows there are in this land! What a sad life most of them live! However, a few widows in our Fayoum church are finding that when they go with us as volunteer workers, their own souls are enriched. As we go about, enjoying one another's fellowship, we lose all consciousness of differences, bound together as we are in the same bundle of life with our common Lord.

Two of our Girls' Club teachers were happily married during the past year. We are thankful others volunteered to take their places. Our two Bible teachers are giving reading and Bible lessons to about 75 women and girls. This is strenuous work and calls for much love and much patience. We wish these two teachers had better health. As their salaries are very small we need to help out often with medical expenses so that they are able to carry on with a measure of health and strength. Even I find I am, alas, not what I used to be!

An average of ten young women have attended our monthly "Volunteers" meeting. Most of them are still in school or teaching but they enjoy getting together and when possible helping in various lines of service for others. Some help with us in village churches. At our meeting yesterday we spent part of the time in studying together the Shorter Catechism. We also started to mount a collection of attractive pictures taken from my *Saturday Evening Posts.* We hope to send them to our two hospitals and perhaps to Fowler Home to bring a little cheer to chil-

dren in these institutions.

"Lady Phoebe," the station-wagon, is a continual joy. Her greatest concern is to pass safely large trucks loaded with enormous bales of cotton, on narrow roads, with camels, donkeys, goats and sheep also claiming a share of the road. I like to think a convoy of angels is never very far from us!

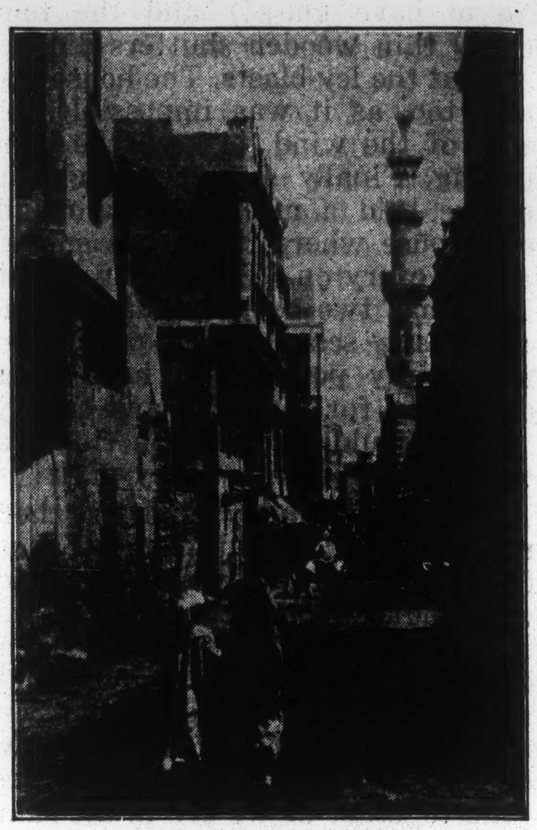
Our missionary societies have been deep in stewardship studies. Would that all God's people were prophets, and also tithers! We owe Dr. John Simpson much for fine ideas gathered from his interesting studies on stewardship.

Helen J. Noordewier

CAIRO CENTER

March, 1948, found your Cairo work for and among women with an active staff of ten Egyptian women, each living in a different part of the city, and their missionary superintendent living out on one fringe of the district. She spent hours uncounted on busses and trams to get to them and to various groups of women in our twenty-two churches and to our Ezbekieh Mission building where we met weekly for prayer, study and consultation. Mrs. J. W. Acheson, our invaluable consultant and helper inestimable, was able to snatch a few minutes most Thursdays to greet us as we assembled, and to spend two mornings a week calling with two different Bible Women. We prayed especially for a capable staff for work among young women, and for a suitable Center for our work. Progress has been made in both of these projects during the year.

We believe that the opening of Emmanuel Home in September, 1948, marked the beginning of a new phase of our work. This is truly a home for our Bible Women and their work. They really feel as I have prayed, that it is *their Center,* not mine, and I only an instrument toward its being here. They do appreciate it. As they settled for our second meeting in our "Garden Room" before workmen had the place so we could move in to live, one of them voiced the evident feeling of all: "Oh, this is better; this is *Ours!*"



A Street Scene, Egypt

Here, for the first time, we have living-space for adding our first staff-member especially trained for work among girls. Miss Evon Boulis is a daughter of P.M.I. and of our Bible Training School in Tanta. She has distinct talents for this work and is a truly devoted Christian. Both after and during her years of preparation, she has had valuable experience. She is making good beginnings both in fellowship with senior staff-members and with girls in or through three of our churches and one meeting-place. Much of God's most effective work is quiet and unspectacular. She asks for your prayers.

For the third year we had classes for church women each Monday of October, repeating much the same lesson morning and afternoon, so each woman could choose the hour most suitable to her. Again we thank our Tanta Bible School for the teacher. This time we were able to invite them to our own Women's Center—and it really is central. Few came, for we had been so occupied in getting the place in readiness that there was not opportunity for the personal contacts that seem necessary.

The plan of periodic letters to all of our Cairo pastors has been continued, to set before them suggested plans and programs for women's work, ways by which women and girls may be more fully enlisted in carrying out the church's mission. We try to meet pastors and women personally as often as possible.

It has been our purpose to have some sort of meeting here about once a month for the women of the various churches. Though there never has been a large group, the idea is getting around that we do have things here worth coming to share. We observed the World Day of Prayer. Our next is to be opportunity for them to meet Dr. Glora Wysner and for her to meet these women—our staff and those of sister missions and churches, so active in her special interest. Please pray that these occasional meetings of women from our various churches may be a mutual blessing and encouragement to more effective service.

We thank you again for your gifts and for your prayers. Without them we could not be here. I Cor. 16:9.

Margaret A. Work

FOWLER CHILDREN'S HOME—PEN PICTURES

Last summer we had some repairs done inside, as well as to the entire outside of the building, including the walls enclosing the compound. The wood-work was painted green and the walls were done in buff. This was made possible partly by some money received from W.W.C.A. Funds. Every time we come down the street we rejoice in the improved appearance of the Fowler Children's Home.

Our family now numbers forty-six. The latest addition is a Jewish girl about twelve years old. We do not usually accept children at that age but the parents of this girl are dead. She has three older brothers, but they work and they did not like to have her alone from the closing of school until they returned from work in the evening after dark. They live in a crowded, foreign quarter of the city. This has been a difficult year for them because of the war going on between Palestine and Egypt. She was in a Christian School last year as a day student and the missionary in charge said she had made a profession and wanted to be a Christian. That school has been closed to her this year because of conditions in this part of the world. We hope that she will learn well in our Home so that when she reaches the age required by the Government, she will make a full and complete acceptance of Christ and be baptized. She has been sweet and helpful and our girls have taken her right into their hearts.

Our Home will not accommodate more than fifty children and the Committee says that from now on we must accept only the most urgent cases. One seemingly such case came to our notice a few days ago. The mother, a young widow, came asking us to admit her small girl. The father died about four months ago and the widow has no means of support. Her own history is interesting. She was married when she was fourteen; her oldest daughter was born about a year later and that girl was married when she was twelve. The widow-mother has a boy about seven, this little girl whom she wants us to take, and another to be born in about two months. We are thankful that there is a refuge for such a needy little four-year-old, but it gives one something of a heartache because there is no place to which this sad, tired mother may turn for adequate help.

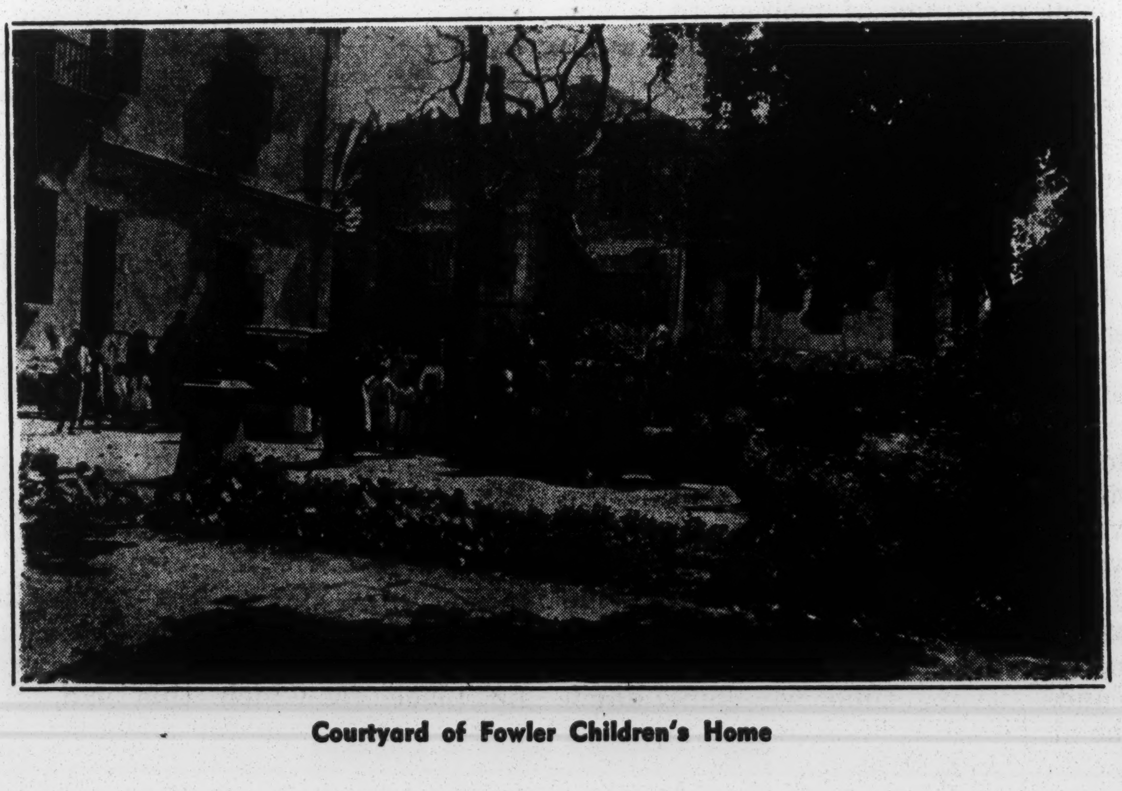
It was my sad duty a short time ago to tell one of our children that her mother had passed away. Her story runs something like this: One day Mrs. Coventry brought two little girls with their mother to the Orphanage. When it came time to leave them, it was too much for them all. Mother and children wept and she said she could not leave them. Their father had been dead for some time. About a year later Mrs. Seiver, who had taken over the work laid down by Mrs. Coventry, wrote asking that the children be given another opportunity to join our family. We agreed on the condition that she bring them herself and the mother remain in the village. So the mother said goodbye to them at the railroad station, and Mrs. Seiver and the Bible Woman brought them here. The mother came to see them once after that and was satisfied when she found them well and happy. Shortly before Christmas the grandfather came. He said the mother had been dead about five months, and he was asking us to take the third little sister who is about four years old. When Nadia. the older of the two now here, saw her grandfather, her first question was, "Where is Mamma?" He replied, "In the village." We are expecting to take the small four-year-old sister. We waited until after the holidays to tell Nadia about her mother. She took it like a little soldier, then she went downstairs and told the other children. They were very sweet with her. They wept with her and her small sister, brought them candy and toys, and told them stories to help ease the pain in their little hearts.

The other day an old man from Upper Egypt came to ask if we had any girls old enough to be married. We said "Yes, a couple, why?" He replied that he was looking for a wife for his son. The son, incidentally is about forty. He thought a girl about fifteen would be the right age for him. We said that the first step would be for us to see him, together with the Pastor of our Egyptian Church to talk the matter over fully. He left us saying he would send the son to see us.

Lucy Lightowler

FOWLER CHILDREN'S HOME

Writing just one year to the day after arriving in Egypt I feel as



Courtyard of Fowler Children's Home

though much more than a year's experiences have been condensed into that time, and pray that my efforts will bear some fruit. Not until one leaves his own country of plenty and comes to live in a country of so much need does he become vitally concerned with discovering what is essential and how he can use his time to the best advantage. So much should be done, so many difficulties and hindrances of unthought-of varieties prevail that these two questions become foremost.

In attempting to explain to people at home what I thought my work was going to be at the Fowler Children's Home, I had said that I thought it would be much like running one's own individual home, only on a larger scale. That still seems to be as good an explanation as one can give of the work here. Teaching the children how to live with others as Christians, how to attain stability of nature in an insecure world, giving them the essentials of shelter, food and clothing—this is our work.

Lack of a knowledge of Arabic is a hindrance, but even the youngest can learn with patient repetitions of demonstrations of an idea or manner of doing something. It takes no language at all to show a child that you care about her and want for her what she needs. A devotions period each morning with eight of the older girls, who are reading the New Testament for the first time in English, is an experience which it is hoped will prove helpful to them.

Principally my job has been the care of the children's clothing. This has included the organization of a sewing and clothes storage room, purchasing of shoes, dress and underwear fabrics, planning new clothing with one of our former girls who is assisting with the sewing, distributing the five outfits apiece for our 47 girls and a little sewing myself. My home church circle sent over forty pairs of slacks for the children, much to their pleasure and to my gratitude. The walls have recently been re-done in the sewing room and now the cupboards are being painted and the children are cutting rags for a rug to help brighten the room.

In the two years remaining of my term in Egypt I shall continue to pray that I may be used of God in the furtherance of the growth of His Kingdom.

Helen Armstrong

BENHA

"This is the day I have been waiting for and praying for," said one lady as we went for the first time to visit in her village. As we looked over the field and sought new places for witness, this town was laid on our hearts. In answer to our prayers for guidance, an invitation came from one of the homes. We have been there several times and the response to the message has been most encouraging. We hold our meeting in a church which the people say is over 500 years old. The attendance is good. The people need teaching. There is a fine group of young girls who quickly learn our songs and verses.

Near this town is another place that we were led to visit for the first time this year, also. We walk about two miles through the fields from the railroad station to reach the village. The people are friendly and we hope to be able to do good work there.

Our new venture in youth work was started this fall. It is a joy to see the men and boys entering into the spirit of the work. The Bible class is taught by one of the men of the church who holds the interest of the boys. We look for great spiritual blessing to result from this project. Another class for the younger boys is being held. We hope the work will expand when we are able to get a full-time leader.

The classes for the girls are well attended. It is encouraging to see their interest. A new class has been started in one of the towns where the attendance is also good.

We have an evangelist working in the district this year. He and his wife are living in Minet el Qamh. They have work there and in two other places, holding regular Sabbath and week-day services. They are young and full of enthusiasm, having many ideas they want to follow through. They have been doing good work among the children, too. If we had a few more like these workers we could do even greater things. "Pray ye therefore."

The past year has been one of joy and encouragement in the work and we look forward to the new year full of hope and faith in the promises of God.

Rachel Tracy Seiver

TANTA

"Shebin-il-Kom! Shebin-il-Kom! Are you going to Zinnara this morning lady?" Yes, we were going so we boarded the rickety bus and waited some time while the boy continued to call "Shebin-il-Kom" the name of the town at the other end of the line, hoping to have a full bus load before he started.

After a half hour's very rough ride we get off in the Christian section of the village of Zinnara. As we pass through the narrow streets we tap on shutters or doors of various houses calling to them to come to the meeting and to bring their reading books with them. We then secure the key to the meeting place and get things ready.

The building is made of mud bricks with openings for windows but there are only shutters which are closed when the building is not in use. The floor is of dirt which has not even been smoothed down. Shavings from recent carpenter work are scattered around. Fifteen or sixteen rough benches and a chair for the evangelist are the only furniture. A ledge of mud bricks has been built along the two side walls which is used for seating if there is a large crowd.

Girls Leaving Youth Conference, Tanta, Egypt

The front benches are for the men. The women, not knowing how to read and having to sit in the back are inclined to carry on conversations with one another. They probably think the message is for the men so they do not need to pay attention. If they happen to know the words of a song they will sing. Many small, dirty children keep running in and out and the evangelist often has to stop his talk to settle a dispute or ask that a crying baby be taken out.

This is a Coptic group and during prayer they always face the east. The evangelist always uses the Lord's Prayer in the service and in many villages here they add "in the name of Christ" just before the phrase "For Thine is the Kingdom."

After the service we gather the women and girls together for their reading lessons. They are not progressing as rapidly as we would like as they seem to think Friday only is the day for reading. Very few of them work at it between times. Some of the older women are still struggling with the primer but they are looking forward to the time when they can begin the "Life of Christ." We have found many girls who have had a year or two in the elementary school but still do not know how to read so we are taking more and more of them so as to conserve what they have been able to learn there.

This literacy program in Egypt is very important. We are disappointed that so little has been accomplished since Dr. Laubach's visit to Egypt. The Evangelical Church has not taken the interest in it we were hoping for. A field director has not yet been secured to unite the efforts and push the program. A third disappointment is that few of the pupils feel inclined to teach another. No doubt we are like Christ's disciples who could not cast out the evil spirit as that particular problem could be solved only by prayer. So we ask you to join with us in praying that the Evangelical Church may be stirred to make this literacy program her chief task right now; that the right person to become field director may be found and that the movement may catch fire among the people themselves so that they will be willing to share with others that which has been given to them.

Venna R. Patterson

MANSURA

Our hearts are full of praise to God because there has been no scourge as Egypt experienced last year. We have had a good year in the work and the blessing of health and comforts of life—my Bible Women and myself.

Winter weather here in the Delta has been unusually cold and rainy. Rains prevented trips to the villages in this district over a period of three weeks. The hearty welcome given to us after such absence makes us feel that our service is greatly appreciated and that our women's meetings and visits in the homes are making a marked contribution to the lives of many women and girls. Such influence may be likened to a pebble cast into a pond with its ever-widening circles. It is beautiful to contemplate the results of human contacts and their circles—first the individual, then touching the home, reaching out to the neighbor, the community, the place of work, the Church, and on into eternity!

Regular monthly missionary meetings have been held in Mansura, Mehalla, Simbellawain, and Dekernis. Visits in homes are made in all these places. We have added one new meeting for women this year to our schedule of work. It is at Aga, where at first we visited only in homes. Our meeting-place there is in the home of an earnest Christian family. Although the attendance has been small, we have hope for its growth; we are encouraged by their spirit and their interest.

Here in Mansura I have one young woman coming each week for reading lessons in the Laubach primer and for instruction in Bible lessons. Also a young mother with three children is eager to learn how to read, and is listed to begin next week. Another beginner in the Laubach method is in Dekernis, one of the young women who attends our meetings there.

In all our village meetings we have children who come with their mothers, and many come without their mothers. I count these contacts with the children an important part of our work. How they enjoy the singing, the mandolin, the memory verses and the special Christmas and Thank Offering programs in which they take part! It is a real treat for them, and what an opportunity and challenge for us, "For such is the Kingdom of Heaven," and they can become His stewards too, and "His Jewels."

Statistics have their place, but whether the figures are encouraging or discouraging there is the assurance of certain values which cannot be fully tabulated or estimated in mere numbers. As in the parable of the Sower, some seeds fell by the wayside, some were quickly withered, some choked, but that in the good soil brought forth a harvest—some a hundred-fold, some sixty, some thirty. So we press on in the joy of His service expecting a harvest, endeavoring to win others into the fold, leading our Christian women and girls into "the more abundant life" and into His service, that the women of the Church in Egypt may become a strong arm of help in Christ's Church, to His praise and glory.

Each place I have mentioned has its encouragements and its needs, calling for thanksgiving and for much prayer. We covet your fellowship in praise and prayer.

Lucia Dwight

ALEXANDRIA

The work in Alexandria is feeling the loss of Miss Leota Cabeen, who retired to America because of ill-health in May, 1948—a year or two earlier than she had planned to retire. Some of the things that have been done by missionaries in the past have had to be left undone.

The Bible Women have carried on their work as usual. The statistics show an average of 523 calls and of 929 women taught each month for the eleven months that the Bible Women work, with 269 regular meetings conducted with an average attendance of 16 women, and 67 occasional meetings with an average attendance of 26 women during the year.

The cradle roll work has been carried on, with the help of a former pupil in the Central Girls' School. Mothers and children seem to be delighted with the afternoon parties, to which they receive their invitations along with their birthday cards.

We are grateful for the two young men who have come as volunteer teachers in the Schutz Sabbath School, and who are doing their work faithfully there, as unto the Lord.

A new piece of work undertaken this year, by the Committee of Direction of the Alumnae Club for Young Women, is a needle-craft school for underprivileged girls. The curriculum of the school includes various kinds of needle-work, Arabic reading and writing, arithmetic and Bible stories; also dress-making for those who pay a small fee. No other fees are collected from the pupils. Free lunches are served on the two days a week on which there are afternoon classes. We hope that the school will soon become self-supporting, through its needle-work, knitting, etc., done for individuals and department stores.

A Bible class has been started in the club, and is drawing members from outside, for the study of the book of Job, which I believe has a real message for Christians. Other subjects taught in the club are English, French and Arabic languages, domestic science, dress-making, and music. The club continues to be a growing institution and a happy expression of the desire of the Alumnae to pass on to other girls "some of the things we got from the school."

Ethel Lois Weed

MINIA DISTRICT

All of my life I have spoken of "The Land Where Dreams Come True" but it has been only recently that I have discovered that it is the land where I live—right here in Egypt.

Lighthouse at Alexandria

The Church at Alexandria

The most noteworthy of these, I think, is the building of our Girls' Club room. The girls themselves are securing the money for the building and the Second Church of Minia gave us the ground, about 350 sq. meters which would have cost £7 a sq. meter. The building is now completed and is being used. One Club meets twice a week for reading, sewing and Bible lessons. Another Club meets once a week for sewing, Bible, cooking lessons and games. A class for young mothers is being started to teach them to read and write as well as to sew and knit for their children. We expect to have regular Health Lessons given by a trained nurse who is the wife of a good eye doctor. This class is mostly non-Christian and meets twice a week.

Then on Sabbath afternoon we have two S.S. classes in this building—one for women and the other for girls. As we are going in for S.S. the Government School across the street is dismissing for the day. In response to our invitation many of those girls come in for the Bible Study. Our S.S. classes are growing. Last Sabbath there were 36 present in the girls' class and 25 in the women's class.

Another dream that has not yet come true is our Junior Church. We have the children and the teachers and the room but we do not have the chairs. May that dream materialize soon.

Our volunteer workers are faithfully carrying on their tasks. It is a joy to meet a pastor and to hear his praise of their faithful, consecrated service. One woman is supervising the teaching of about 35 other women besides going every week to one little village meeting place and keeping these women studying the Bible. She also goes at regular intervals to four other villages.

The Bible Women are also carrying on in their quiet, unassuming way, faithfully witnessing by word and life. Only God knows the vast amount of good they are doing and the cheer they are carrying to burdened hearts. What a joy is ours in having the privilege of sowing this precious seed and how thankful we are that we are permitted to gather some of the harvest.

Jeannette L. McCrory

The Ministry Of Teaching

LUXOR

Many school people find annual reports difficult because the work is much the same year by year. That is surely true with us this year. The only difference seems to be connected with our additional class, fourth secondary, which answered a two-year demand. We have eleven girls in the class and they are all good students. By borrowing more teachers from other schools and by adding to our own schedules, we were able to do it, but it has its complications. One bad result has been the sacrifice of Miss Roy's music tour to other mission schools. When the two of us together are carrying some thirty periods of teaching and no substitutes are available, it is difficult to plan a long absence for one of us. There are too many administrative duties. We hope to obtain another teacher of English next year to lighten our programs a bit.

On this coming Sabbath, we are looking forward to the Communion service. A communicants' class has met a few times but the girls are not yet ready to unite with the church. At the spring Communion I hope there will be a good number ready.

We have had impressive speakers recently, all emphasizing service. Dr. Miller represented Persia. Rev. J. Lowrie Anderson and an elder from the native church spoke for the South Sudan. Rev. Haleem of Baliana here in Egypt, preached on "Have mercy on me . . . Keep me . . . Send me." We were deeply impressed and still talk about it. Pray with us that Egypt may send missionaries to the Sudan—teachers that their boys and girls may have Christian training, preachers that all may hear about Jesus, the Saviour of the world. By sending these workers, the Egyptian church may be as greatly blessed as the church of the Sudan.

We are thankful to report the reopening of work in Karnak. Teachers and girls hold two meetings each Sabbath in Christian homes in this mud village and some non-Christians come voluntarily. We hope this training of our girls in service will bear fruit in further service.

Martha C. Glass

Girls' Boarding School, Luxor, Egypt

LUXOR

The record of the days for the past twelve months does not reveal any spectacular events or thrilling stories. The account is full, however, of a multitudinous variety of tasks, each one of which must be done in such a way as will glorify the Master and bear witness to Him and His Way of Life.

The Girls School: We have many causes for thanksgiving this year, the chief of which is for the re-opening of the IV Secondary, although we follow the government course rather than the elementary teacher training course which we had before. It has meant extra work for the teaching staff. Each teacher has cheerfully cooperated in order to make this year a success financially. We are, of course, very glad to have 11 girls with us this extra year, and we earnestly pray that they may be led to a deep and sincere consecration of their lives to Christ, and that some of them may dedicate their lives and talents for full-time Christian service.

By way of diversion from lessons and examinations, the school girls participate in the annual Christmas program, this year a play written by our French master, centering around the life and problems of the early Christians in Rome. The preparation of temperance, Thank Offering and literary programs also have their place. School excursions seem to be the vogue, hundreds of students having visited Luxor this winter from all parts of the country. We, in our turn, took our girls on a two-day trip to Edfu and Aswan. We also take groups to visit the local antiquities.

The alumnae group here have had several meetings, one featuring a paper prepared by a local graduate on "The Care and Training of Children," another a lecture by one of our doctors on "Vitamines" and a third meeting on "Libraries and Reading" by a member of the Library staff of the American Embassy in Cairo. She has given our library quite a boost by helping us to organize it properly, after which we hope to expand our services for the use of the community. We continue to mail our News Letters to all of our graduates twice a year to maintain contact with them.

The Branch School: With a complete turn-over of teaching staff and caretaker this year, we expected a decrease in enrollment. But we are glad to say that attendance is quite satisfactory. Our two new teachers are both members of our Evangelical Church, "quit-uates" of the Central School who have had teaching experience elsewhere. They have a fine spirit of cooperation and a heart-warming sense of loyalty and consecration.

Service of Music: Last spring a project of cataloguing Arabic music materials for church and school use was started. It turned out to be a much more extensive undertaking than originally foreseen. As a consequence it is completed. The summer conferences brought the opportunity of passing along songs and special programs that might be useful throughout the year. Much of the autumn was spent mimeographing and circulating them. Another uncompleted project upon which we hope to be able to report soon is a tune-writing contest with a cash prize, the words of a psalm to be set to music by would-be composers. We hope in this way to build up more interest in the use of Eastern tunes in our Church, as well as extend the source of supply, so that we may praise the Lord with a full voice and a glad heart.

Martha Roy

"Not what we give, but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare."—*Lowell*

The Pressly Memorial Institute

P. M. I., ASSIUT

"Four things a man must learn to do
If he would keep his record true;
To think without confusion clearly,
To love his fellowmen sincerely,
To act from honest motives purely,
To trust in God and heaven securely."

Today I copied the above as my contribution to the new autograph album in which one of our boarders had shyly asked me to write. The line "to love his fellowmen sincerely" is the theme of what I want to report of our work at the P.M.I. for the past year.

Everyday tasks are usually so pressing that we have no time to plan little kindnesses which reflect our love for those near us. However, opportunities are always presenting themselves so that in unpremeditated ways we get to do the neighborly acts which show in small fashion our appreciation for the many courtesies extended to us by our Egyptian friends.

Our garden is a constant joy to all of us. In the mornings every part of the garden is filled with classes of girls out for the exercise period. Friday afternoons see groups of Guides and Brownies scattered over the grass for their work. Parents and friends come from time to time during the year to attend kindergarten parties or other programs planned for our friends. And old girls laugh and chatter together among the trees when they come for the annual Alumnae party. The trees, shrubs and vines which adorn our garden remind us of the various friends who gave us the young plants as their share in making the surroundings of the school lovely.

Time and again our gardener comes to say that some one has sent for flowers to make the traditional bouquet to hold the candles for a wedding, or for the naming day of a new baby. The ornaments which the garden boys make every year for Palm Sunday from the tender green fronds of the palm trees would furnish a long procession if they could all be gathered together. One day I saw the gardener gathering the pods of the "sunt" tree to give to a stranger who was waiting under the tree. Upon inquiry I discovered that these were to be made into a cough medicine. The tender young leaves and blossoms of this same tree are said to be a good remedy for headache and I have seen them being collected for some friend. One of our cactus plants furnishes poultices for rheumatic knees. Our Arabic master regularly gets a supply of mint from our bed to flavor his tea. Once when calling in his home, we praised the flavor of the tea offered us. He smiled and said that the mint came from the school garden. Out of our garden too go many bags of dried leaves which the servants' families use in heating their ovens for baking. When the grass and trees are trimmed the green stuff is carted home by the gardener to feed his goats.

These are just a few of the simple everyday things that we do to help others. This year our big job has been to carry out the school program that takes care of 584 pupils. Twenty-four girls were graduated in 1948. Of this number three are in our Teacher Training class, and one is in the Kindergarten Training School in Tanta. Three are teaching, five are studying in Assiut College, two are in the government schools in Assiut and five others are in higher schools in Cairo or Alexandria. One is married and two others are planning to be married soon. The others are at home. One of the latter is doing volunteer teaching in Assiut Orphanage in the afternoons, while in the morning she is preparing herself for the Cambridge matriculation examinations. During the year eighteen girls have united with the church.

Mary L. Thompson

PRESSLY MEMORIAL INSTITUTE

Life goes on from year to year with much the same round of duties, but never a time of monotony. With a family of 80 children and 20 teachers there is always something interesting happening. Our girls miss the kindly mothering Miss Ruth Work gave them for many years. I have tried to care for some of their needs in addition to looking after the schedule in the day school and teaching a number of classes. Almost every day something new turns up. One evening little Amal fell over the scraper and broke her arm and dislocated her elbow. Thanks to the efficient care of Dr. Frank McClanahan her arm is useable again. One of our girls from the Sudan developed mastoid trouble and was saved from an operation by speedy treatment at the hospital. We continually call on the doctors and nurses for help and thank God that there is a Mission Hospital in Assiut.

Two weeks ago twenty-three girls were down at one time with the flu which is epidemic in Egypt just now. Miss Zazif, the nurse, was kept very busy for a few days. We are thankful for her, too. Her presence is made possible by a generous gift from Miss Esther Madory, who served twelve years in P.M.I. On Tuesday the older girls went to the Y.W.C.A. to hear Sister Selma, a woman who has had a wonderful conversion.

In a school like this where conditions are much like those at home there is danger of our forgetting the village surroundings from which many of the girls come. We fail to see behind the bobbed hair and the neat school uniform the long braids of the village child, hidden under a head handkerchief and the long dress required at home; beyond the money spent by the wealthy on gold bracelets and the ear rings to the emptiness of life without education and books; beyond the freedom enjoyed here to the seclusion of village girls even in a Christian home.

Selma came from such surroundings. It was not a lack of money which accounted for the neglect of cleanliness and care so plainly evident. The mother was not well and her concern was for her own health. She was coming to the hospital for treatment so she brought Selma to us. In one year's time a marvelous change has taken place. She is bright in her lessons and is interested in the songs and games and the home duties. Her cheery smile makes everyone her friend. At the Christmas vacation she taught the pupils in the village school the songs she had learned. In a year or two we hope she will be conducting a Daily Vacation Bible School in the summer. Her home and village will be changed because this one small girl came to the boarding school.

The girls come to us from 39 different towns and villages and from all classes of society. They go back to set up new standards of home and community life.

During the year a number of our girls have been married and we rejoice over every new Christian home that is established. Recently two brides have gone to the Canal zone to open their homes. We trust that they will have the same influence as one who went there years ago. She opened a meeting in her home which developed later into an organized church. Through the work of the Spirit of God these girls can become a great blessing to Egypt and we ask your prayers that He may lead many into active service for Christ.

Anna B. Criswell

P. M. I.

The past year has seen us participating in a good many extra-curricular activities. Last spring we had the 3rd Annual Springfest for our Primary and Secondary classes out on the tennis court. Each class performed a folk game, and some sang songs as well, before the Queen, chosen from the senior class, and her attendants. Then the Kindergarten classes, about 200 children altogether, had their party for their parents. They had a queen, too, and dances from many nations to entertain her and her fairies. Czechoslovakia, Sweden, France, England, Italy, India and Arabia were represented. The Arab dance, put on by a dozen small boys, was enthusiastically received. It is always a job to revamp our existing costumes each year, to give a "new look" to the same old colored skirts, Brownie and Fairy costumes, without spending much.

Chapel Windows with Transparencies

Another project which ministered to several classes was the making of transparencies to put in our chapel windows, the three small ones over the platform. The result looks much like stained glass and has been enjoyed since the week before Christmas.

I have been trying to help the choir of the 2nd Church this year to learn to read notes. Choir members usually learn new songs by rote and consequently are not very dependable. They have shown a real interest and faithfulness in attendance, and we hope soon to be able to give them hectographed books with notes and words for their special numbers. The pastor, Rev. Girgis Gerais, and his wife, are very good about attending all practices and helping teach the songs. Rev. Girgis himself takes piano lessons here, which shows his interest in music.

The P.M.I. Boarders' Choir has a

membership of 17 this year, and has sung at various services in addition to the regular Sabbath morning service at the College Chapel.

In all we do we are trying to help our girls to find and enjoy the life abundant in Jesus Christ. We thank you for your prayers and interest.

Helen M. Walker

FAYOUM GIRLS' SCHOOL

We are sorry to report a smaller enrollment than for many years. We have just 180. Perhaps this is not without its blessings. I think the general attitude of the girls is better this year. One thing that has pleased me, is seeing some of the older girls gathering up groups of little ones and helping them play the games they have learned in their classes. Our girls have few games which they play of themselves and those do not require teamwork. Since we are just an elementary school, even our older girls are not very old.

Another of my joys is the group of girls living in the school. They come from the villages around us where there are no schools. Most of them go home each Friday night. Each week different ones take turns at cooking, washing dishes, and sweeping. In spite of their youth they do well. Last year's naughty ones must grow into this year's big sisters, who take the responsibility to help train the newer ones. We have eighteen this year. If we had room to take all who want to come, our classrooms would be overflowing.

Last spring the pastor of the local church had a class for some of the older girls. We were pleased when six of them decided to unite with the church.

During the past year, two teachers who have given years of faithful service were married. The school is missing very much their influence and helpful counsel. But already we hear reports that one of them trained the children in her congregation for a Christmas program that pleased the community very much.

Elizabeth M. Wilson

BENI SUEF

Nineteen forty-eight has been a good year. It was fine to be able to carry on our work without cholera or other interruptions, and to have our children in school regularly. At the end of the school year in June our final results were not quite as good as the year before. How could they be when the school year was so much shorter? The fall opening brought a slightly smaller enrollment for one reason and another, but I think our actual attendance is not much less than a year ago. Beni Suef is a provincial capital and many of our girls are daughters of clerks and other officials in Government service. Because the Government moves them about frequently from one end of Egypt to the other we have several girls departing and others arriving all through the year. Sometimes the mother and her children will stay till the end of the school year.

Eight of the ten girls in our graduating class last year succeeded in passing the Government Primary examination. Most of them have gone on to higher schools. Three secondary schools for girls are supported by the Government here in town. One

View of Beni Suef

School for Girls, Beni Suef

specializes in sewing and homemaking, and one gives a training course for teachers in elementary schools. The third prepares for the University. One of our graduates is in the P.M.I. at Assiut, and we hope will later go to Tanta Bible School. The two who failed are back with us. This year our senior class numbers 17. I am always amazed that so many will pay the school fees when their girls could be free in other schools in town. We have many girls from poor homes who pay little or nothing, and there are many who can easily pay in full, but use every trick to make us think they need help.

We have the same staff of teachers as last year and as a whole they are a loyal, faithful group. I only wish I had time and strength to give them more help and training for their work. One lost her father in December and her family moved away at once. She is staying in the school, however, but may not come back another year.

The year has not been so kind to me personally. Last June I was surprised to find my blood pressure had crept up on me all unbeknownst. It does not seem to be willing to go down again. Since I am past the optional retirement age, the doctors advise my going home for good at the end of the school year. I plan to sail on the seventh of July. It will indeed be a relief to be free of the responsibility of the school with all its unexpected and inopportune happenings and the increasingly difficult reports to the educational authorities. It will also be a wonderful pleasure to be at home with my family. The heartbreak in it all is that as we older missionaries go home to stay, there are not younger missionaries preparing in language and other ways to take our places. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest." It is white.

Ida Whiteside

AMERICAN COLLEGE, CAIRO

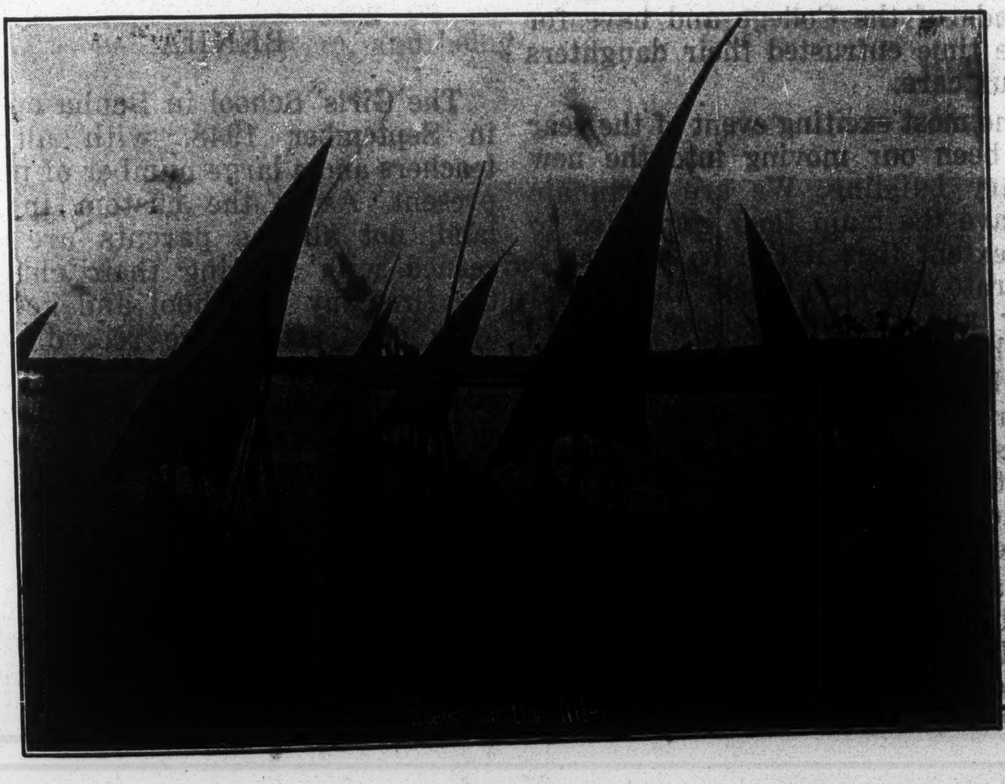
The American College for Girls has reported record-breaking enrollments for several years. Again we report the highest in its 39 years of history, 920 for the school year 1948-1949, as of the beginning of second semester. From the kindergarten through the Junior college, we have a total of 16 classes in the school. This year it has been necessary to divide eleven classes into two separate divisions each, and even so, many applicants have been refused because of lack of space.

Our American short-term missionary staff, numbering 14, is the largest we have had at one time. Although three years is a very short term, in that time these teachers become very much a part of the school and community. Those who completed their term in June 1948, Mrs. Sara Baker, Mrs. Gudrun Saadeh, Misses Ettie Belle Robinson, Dorothea Urey, Marion Martin and Frances Noyes are greatly missed this year, and the fine service which they performed will long be remembered. Members of our present staff serve in the following capacities: Margaret Dawson, Librarian; Rosemary Evans, Art Department; Lois Finney, Science Department; Virginia Watkins and Clara Lou Scott, Home Economics Department; Faith Hamilton, Marilyn Tostenrud, Florence Halliday and Norma Lee Squires, Music Department; Edna King, Marion Speer, Jean Ryburn, Beatrice McClellan and Mary Pennell, English, Religious Education and mathematics. (Miss Pennell has, at present, the unique privilege of going to the home of the late Premier to tutor the young daughter who is not permitted to continue in school because of security measures necessary at this time.) All carry heavy teaching schedules and responsibilities in extra-curricular and community activities. We are sure that all who have served and now are serving as short-term missionaries will testify that it is a happy experience and a splendid opportunity to render valuable service in the work of the Kingdom.

Our family, 80 boarders and 27 staff, is an interesting one, made up of various nationalities, American, French, Egyptian, Syrian, Palestinian, Ethiopian, Iraqian, Greek and Austrian. One hundred and seventy-five of our day students and teachers eat with us at noon. "Half-boarders," they call themselves. As with boarders anywhere there are complaints about the food. Vegetables are unpopular, but on the whole they have healthy appetites.

The business of growing in Egypt seems to have the same aspirations, longings, discontents and misunderstandings between younger and older generations, found the world over, hence the girls' problems are those of girls everywhere.

We miss Mrs. Mary Robertson who passed away on October 6, at the re-



markable age of 94 years, five months. Mrs. Robertson made her home for many years with her daughter on the campus. While she had not been active in body for a long period, her interest and love for the work here remained keen to the very end.

Because of unsettled conditions last June, it was thought best to limit our crowd for Commencement, to those who could be accommodated in Dales Hall, our college chapel. So we had 600 in attendance instead of our usual crowd of more than three times that number when the exercises are held out of doors. Plans worked out well and the program was up to its usual high standard. We appreciated having as our guest speaker H. E. Kamel Abd el Rahim Bey, present Egyptian Ambassador to Washington, D.C. Eighteen girls were graduated from the Junior College and 17 from the Preparatory Department.

Unsettled conditions in the country for the past months have not made our burdens lighter and we feel very keenly our loss in the untimely deaths of the late Premier, Nokrashy Pasha, and the Chief of Police, Selim Zaki Pasha. These men were good friends of the College and have for some time entrusted their daughters to our care.

The most exciting event of the year has been our moving into the new library building. We are fortunate to have the main floor completed to the extent that it can be used as a separate unit even though the ground floor and the upper floor are not finished. The premises are a constant delight and we are more than ever eager to finish the whole building. Plans are being put into operation for the enlargment of our library service to students, Alumnae and women of Egypt.

Space does not permit detailed accounts of many other items of interest. The Junior Red Crescent Society as well as the Blue Triangle groups of the Y.W.C.A. are very active. Some of our older girls of the Sabbath School conducted a Daily Vacation Bible School on the campus in July. Representatives of the S.S. and C.E. Societies took part in an impressive program given the Sabbath morning before Christmas. Numbers of our girls are becoming more and more conscious of the need that is around us and are eager to serve in useful and helpful ways.

The administrative staff is the smallest for many years since Dr. Martin, the Principal, and Miss Robertson left on furlough late in November. We shall welcome their return.

In our particular work here, as well as in all of our women's work in this field, we realize our tragic need for more permanent workers. We pray that young women may feel the challenge for service in this land and want to help bring about the day when in truth it may be said "Blessed be Egypt, My People."

Sarah B. Meloy
Mary Frances Dawson
Lois D. Kingan

BENHA

The Girls' School in Benha opened in September 1948, with all the teachers and a large number of pupils present. As is the custom in this land, not all the parents are concerned with starting their children the first day of school and keeping up a good attendance record. Few of them see any connection between good attendance and good grades. As a result, children keep stringing in for the first two or three months, and longer. This year was no exception, but even so, it was not long before we had reached our full seating capacity, and by the end of November we were "overflowing" with an enrollment of 297, the largest enrollment in the history of the school to date.

Of this number 97 are kindergartners. How I wish you could see them! Dressed in their clean school uniforms, with clean faces, combed hair, and wearing shoes and socks, they present quite a contrast to the children of the street. I might add, also, that they are much better behaved than a group of American children of the same age and number. Their own kindergarten room was inadequate for space, so we took the "overflow" into the library. Here, we seated two tots on each adult chair, arranged them two-deep on the canoba (sofa) and seated the remainder on the tables. Everyone knows that this arrangement does not make for effective teaching, so we were obliged to order a number of new benches and tables, in spite of the rising cost of wood and carpenters' wages.

We have been thankful that so far, we have had no serious interruptions in our school program as occasioned by the cholera of last year, although at the time of this writing, a double epidemic of whooping cough and measles has lowered our daily attendance to a new level.

We have been thankful, too, for the privileges of carrying on our usual curricular program, and being allowed to continue our Bible classes. We are blessed with a fine group of Christian teachers. Their fine spirit and co-operation has meant much to me in my first year as supervisor of the school.

Yes, we have had trying moments, too, but these have been relatively few in comparison to our opportunities to serve. We realize the value of our school when we visit in the homes and see the influence of parents who have been educated in our mission schools. We praise the widowed mother, who though extremely poor, sacrifices even what she has that her little girls might remain in our school. We rejoice when an educated man of means brings his children to us saying that he prefers the discipline, the character training and the higher standards which our school offers. And when a poor, peasant father brings us his three little daughters—native in dress and manners—expressing a genuine concern for their education and well-being, we delight in the opportunity to serve them. When, with glad hearts, they offer thanks, we remember the words of Jesus: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these . . . ye have done it unto me."

Millie Kelso

Benha School

Children's Play Room of Mary Clokey Porter Boarding School for Girls. It is decorated with Dolls for Christmas.

TANTA

Having stopped to take this backward look, I ask: what of all that has happened is worthy of record?

Is it that this year we have had more pupils enrolled in the boarding school than ever before? So many, in fact, that our need for a mature, motherly individual from home to help look after them becomes acutely imperative. Failing to find such a one to help us this year we have instead welcomed a Palestinian refugee to do us this service in exchange for the boarding-school education of her four small daughters. The experiment has convinced us we must have one more foreign to this part of the world if the work is to be done really effectively.

Or is it that the Christmas season was spent in such a happy manner by our large school family; a family, all told, numbering over 350? Simple gifts were planned for all, staff, students and servants. The pupils did their giving well too in that the White Gift offering amounted to $207.50, designated for Palestinian relief. They doubtless were inspired to generosity by the five refugees in our midst.

If you had never had a doll of any sort, as the vast majority of our children have not, maybe you, too, would have been glad to receive one of the simple homemade ones an Egyptian teacher and I made for each of our more than 100 boarders. The dolls were gay in their bright colors and were of two kinds, one being in the nature of a lapel pin for the bigger girls, and considerably larger dolls for the smaller children. They served a double purpose in that they were the sole decoration of our Christmas tree for the boarders' party before the boarders received them. Some of the children showed grave concern lest their names be overlooked in the long lists—and even the teachers indicated they would have been pleased to receive one of them. Perhaps next year our mass production scheme can be extended to include the teachers and day pupils. Each person present at the White Gift service did receive a small treat of candy and peanuts.

Or, is it perhaps that this time we tried to have a different type of grad-

Graduates and American Staff at the Graduation Exercises of Mary Clokey Porter School, March 17, 1949

uation exercises? Almost all of our 55 graduates of the last six years have gone into interesting and worthwhile lines of work. We decided to invite them here to receive their diplomas and asked seven of the graduates, representing different fields of endeavor, to tell what they are doing now and what they hope to do in the future. Of those speaking, one has gone in for journalism, two are teaching, one has a business position, one is still a student in a teacher-training institute, one is a medical student and the last is preparing herself for social service. Limited time forbade our hearing from others. Many of those present were impressed by the strong Christian testimony given by all the speakers.

For the first time on this occasion we presented diplomas to the four graduates of our Orientation class. This is a year of higher study which prepares students for admission to the Egyptian University. Of the four, three are in the University and the fourth plans to go next year.

Or, could it be the meeting of Delta Presbyterial to which we were hostesses. There gathered here with us delegates from many places, large and small, far and near, for a day of worship, of inspiration and of re-union with old friends. Guests commenced arriving before we were ready for them because some of them took trains as early as 5 a.m. They came, bag, baggage and babies, in a number of cases. All of which showed their eagerness to revive this well-liked custom of meeting once a year in special thankfulness and praise.

Our reasons for gratitude are endless. Just now all are engrossed in plans for Easter when there will again be given a play for the school and the public, when the Easter message will be given unmistakably, as the Christmas message was given in its season. But in season and out of season we never stop seeking to live and teach the Christ way of life.

Eulalia D. Grether

GIRLS' SCHOOL, TANTA

Again we turn back the pages of the year and endeavor to bring to you a resume of the events.

Commencement day for the students in the training department was held in June. Dr. Everett Grice led us in a very inspiring challenge to Christian service. Six girls received the kindergarten certificate and three, letters certifying their study of the course according to their ability. Each girl also received a small testament, as a guide to a joyous service. One of the girls, not wishing to teach, studied the course for the purpose of understanding little children, one returned to the English mission, three are teaching in our schools at Benha and Mansura, and four are serving in Tanta.

A class of four students only is now being prepared for teaching service. We do so need good teachers that we hope to look forward to a larger group next fall.

We opened two nursery school sections this fall. They have been popular and appreciated by those who realize the importance of forming good habits and attitudes at an early age in development. Our babies give us great pleasure with their happy little ways. They greet us with a good-morning, one little one in such deep tones we are reminded of the night watchman announcing the break of day.

The flannelgraph and dramatization have brought great interest in Bible stories. The colorful costumes and incidents of Eastern life are very real to our children.

We are planning to take a series of colored pictures to be sent for Junior Missionary Societies in America.

At our little kindergarten in the city we meet once a week for songs, stories, Scripture memory work and prayer. Our neighbor, the Greek Syrian priest, happened in one day because interested and began to bring the children from his church, usually 20 to 30 boys and girls. He has

The Mary Clokey Porter Girls' Boarding School, Tanta, showing Chrysanthemums at their best asked us to let them also attend our Sabbath School. We rejoice in this opportunity.

As I write, we are looking forward to the World Day of Prayer and are glad to be a link in the great chain of prayer around the world.

We think gratefully of those at home who faithfully remember our children and our task.

Ruth M. Williamson

TANTA, EGYPT

One of our graduates was comparing the school here in Tanta with the Teachers' Training College where she is now enrolled, and she ended with the statement, "We do not know our school until we leave it and go to another." And perhaps we do not know our girls until they have gone out into situations where they have had to prove their Christian training. Here are quotations from conversations and letters to show you some of the bits of encouragement in a work which has frequent discouragements and disappointments:

"In our dormitory at the University there aren't many Christians, but every day I have them meet in my room for Bible reading and prayer. That's what I'm used to and I can't get along without it."

A Coptic girl writes, "I have begun a new Christian society for girls. We gather together every Tuesday in the Protestant Church and are studying the Gospel according to Matthew."

From the letter of another University student: "Every Sunday we gather in a place we Christians have chosen; there we read the Bible and pray and any girl who has something to say has a chance to say it." Speaking of three non-Christian girls she says, "They are my friends and we have had more than one chance to speak together about Jesus and His cross and His love. Please pray that they may be convinced of what they have heard about our Redeemer Jesus, and that they may become true Christians."

One of the girls to whom I am giving Bible lessons by correspondence wrote as part of her assignment in Philippians: "Most people do not realize the value of life and the right method for spending it. It should be known that we need God more than He needs us and therefore we should give everything, even our troubles, to Him, for He knows better than we how to take care of us and protect us from evil."

Please pray that these girls and many others like them may be kept free from the temptations which are peculiarly besetting to a minority group. And will you pray that the girls who are here in school may receive a vision of love for Christ and service to those about them?

Mary C. Thompson

MANSURA

The following extracts from the writer's diary are some of the events of the past year in the school. For all activities there is the need of prayer.

April—Left school routine for a week's work on Delta Car. Arrived in the town of .... which we had visited two years before. Attended service in the Coptic church Sabbath morning and heard a real evangelical sermon on "Sabbath Observance." Called after service on priest and found him to have been formerly in our mission. Monday, we visited the little school which he has in one of the rooms of the church. It was poorly equipped but the forty little children were being given the rudiments of reading. They knew Psalm twenty-three as well as, "Suffer the little children."

Wednesday—Visited the Christian workers on a large estate. How happy they were for the fellowship with us. How such folks need our prayers. We were invited to look over the model school, built by the landowner for the workers' children. There was nothing lacking in equipment. Gardening and handcraft were taught. They were being taught "readin', 'writin' and 'rithmetic" to the tune of a bulrush stick. No Psalms nor Bible verses did we hear in this school. What about the souls of the little ones?

May-June—Mothers' programs, reviews for examinations, parties for older girls, exhibitions, distributing prizes for the year, giving Testaments to older girls who want them. Last day with "good-byes" for the summer.

August — Busy with preparations for wedding of headmaster to one of our teachers. Wedding took place in the beautifully-decorated chapel. The impressive ceremony was performed by one of our pastors. Many witnessed for the first time a Christian wedding.

October - November - December — School in full swing in spite of the free schools by the government. We need prayer for wisdom and guidance as we adjust ourselves to the regulations. Alumnae meets weekly for games and Bible study. Meetings for boys each Friday with the headmaster.

Carols can be heard echoing from each room as the pupils practice for Christmas. Children presented the best White Gift in years. Santa Claus visited the kindergarten for the first time. He heard their program then told them the Christmas Story. How we wish all in the school might have had the privilege of sharing in our Christmas joy. May our joy be a witness to them as we end the year of 1948.

Frances Patton

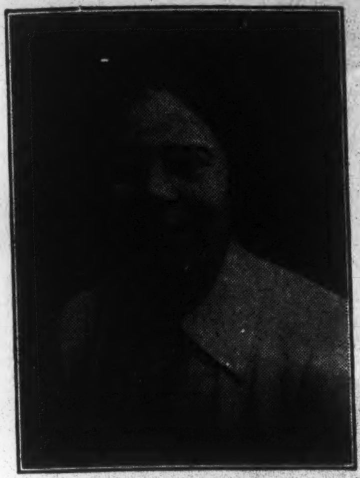
CAIRO

In last year's report I gave a brief general review of our work in literature; this year I shall mention only new developments.

The New Reading Course

This year we have offered a fifth reading course to the membership of our church. It is on "The Christian Family," and includes four books: *The Kingdom of Heaven*, by May Hogg, *The Christian Family* and *Choice Stories* by Rev. Tanios Zakhari, and a little book on Temperance by Mrs. McFeeters called *How to Make Your Home Happy.* I might say in passing that the book by May Hogg is being used by the International Committee on Christian Literature for Africa in Britain for translation in the various languages of Africa, and also by another group for use in Britain itself in schools, and by workers among the young. Miss Halana has introduced this new reading course to all the churches and schools she has visited in connection with our libraries. By May she will have been to most of them between Cairo and Aswan. She sells from five to thirty-five sets in each church; one church bought fifty sets. In even the poorest places she has not failed to interest members in this study, and has met with no difficulty over the price of the books. By the first of May she will have sold 800 or more sets and may reach a thousand by the end of the year. I notice that for some time she has been urging pastors to encourage members to enroll in the reading course but not to enter more than three or four in the test she will give in May for she is responsible for correcting papers, filling in certificates, and choosing and sending out a small book prize! Next year we shall know better how to tackle the matter; probably give tests at different times in different parts of the country and certainly offer no book prize. Next year we hope to offer another course, probably slightly more difficult.

I should like here to pay tribute to Miss Halana Mikhiel, a colleague so adequate in work and so true a missionary. In those few towns or villages where she does not already have friends she possesses new ones by the time she leaves. She overflows with friendliness, is fearless, energetic, quick to adapt herself to differing



Miss Halana Mikhiel

circumstances, and is entirely selfless. She decides for herself when she thinks a library group needs more than a half-day's visit, and arranges to stay over one or two nights. As I watch her disappearing into the open country, quite alone if she cannot travel by bookmobile, with nothing in hand but her brief case full of record sheets and reading course sets, I regret not going with her but am untouched by any qualms for I know that she will look after herself with efficiency and irresistible good humor. The stories she tells of these days and nights spent with the villagers deserve recording in a book, but I dare not here even begin to set them down.

CONFERENCES WITH PASTORS

This year I have held small conferences with the pastors in various localities; 11 pastors came at Mellawi, 17 at Sidfa, 12 at Sohag. I hope to hold other conferences in the spring. The men come to the Ibis, of course, for where else could I entertain them? Since most of them must travel by train or bus to reach the Ibis, we begin at 10 and close at 12 or 12:30. The long table is then cleared and we have dinner. After that, we have time to talk, to look at books and to buy them, and finally each leaves at his convenience. There is no room downstairs for so many, so we sit on deck, with the side curtains down if the wind is cold. We talk about two subjects: how the Committee can help them to secure reading for themselves, and how they can help church members to become interested in reading, especially the reading and study of religious books. This last is a vital point, for in a land where so little is produced in Arabic in Christian religious literature, the pastor is the one hope of having an informed membership. On the first subject we find a uniformly enthusiastic and eager interest; on the second, we tackle a new problem and are faced with many difficulties. The discussions we have had together have been a liberal education to me and by request I am now faced with producing various sheets of suggestions and information. General opinion to the contrary, Miss Halana finds no difficulty in making sales,

Egyptian Pastor and Women Reading

The Bookmobile, Dr. Davida Finney, Miss Halana and Driver

so I think that the question of "how to sell" can yet be solved. One outgrowth of these discussions is to arrive at a list of "musts" in the production of new books. Where to find sufficient funds for publication is also a question. If we sell entire editions we are reimbursed, and this we are trying to do. Mr. Stevenson offerred at Mellawi to handle the ordering of books from America for the pastors' own libraries, the ordering itself being done by Mr. McGill, and Mr. Pollock is slowly but surely building up our Pastor's Loaning Library.

THE WRITERS' FELLOWSHIP

Last year I reported on two Writers' Fellowships. These two groups are now slowly becoming one, because those who produce in the two groups are drawn together by common problems, and those who think they would like to write but have not done so automatically stop. We are now beginning to face questions of costs, distribution, authorship and publicity. Three small committees to study these questions have been set up and eventually we shall find our feet. Mr. Tanios has brought out his second book on the Christian Family, *The Responsibilities of the Parents*, and has ready the third, *The Christian Training of Children.* May Hogg is writing a life of Christ viewed more from the standpoint of His humanity, a study much needed in this part of the world. Other books are in hand or in mind.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL WORK

Under the Near East Christian Council, the Arabic Christian Literature Committee has finally been organized. There are four delegates from Egypt: one each from the Nile Mission Press and the Church of England publishing body, one representing missions and one the indigenous churches. The first meeting of the Committee was held in Cairo. The purpose of this Committee is to encourage the production and circulation of Christian literature throughout the Near East, to ensure as far as possible that there are no gaps and unnecessary overlapping in the production programs of the various publishing bodies, to encourage cooperation between these bodies, and to allocate grants from abroad. The two delegates representing missions and churches are elected by the Egypt Inter-Mission Council Literature Committee, and reports given by the delegates to the Arabic Christian Literature Committee are received from and summarized by the Inter-Mission Literature Committee. Some progress has been made in receiving reports from the various publishing bodies, and it is hoped that much gain will be realized by this united and cooperative effort. *Davida M. Finney*

The Ministry Of Healing

ASSIUT HOSPITAL

My report for the Nurses' Training School seems to have the same beginning and ending. Just a year ago I made a trip to the schools to talk about nursing. I hoped that as a result we would have a large class of student nurses in September. We had a class of three and not one of them was influenced through that tour. However, one cannot always see the results of such a trip immediately. I hope that girls in the lower grades of school have been started thinking about nursing and will some day come to the Training School.

With five nurses graduating this summer we will have only three left in the school. You can see how much we long for a large class in the autumn. I have been encouraged for I have talked to girls this last week who seem to really want to be nurses.

While last year's class is small we have in it three good nurses. We are particularly interested in Faiga Fahmy for we feel she belongs to the hospital. When her mother died at her birth Dr. and Mrs. Finley adopted her. In school she studied music, graduating from the Girls' College in Cairo. Then she taught two years at the P.M.I. in Assiut. She came to the Training School last fall for she feels that in nursing her life can be of the greatest service. If Dr. and Mrs. Finley were still on this earth how proud they would be of her.

Last summer we tried a new experiment. Miss Aitken had asked me to talk to her fourth secondary class at the P.M.I. I thought that some of them might be interested in giving some service to the hospital during the summer. We arranged for those

American Mission Hospital, Assiut

who were interested to come, two at a time, to work for a week in our children's ward. I know they enjoyed it and we appreciated their help. Of the fifteen or more who came we hope that some will enter the Training School this year as students. Whether this happens or not they are always going to be more interested in the work of the hospital than they would otherwise have been, and so we know it was a worthwhile experiment. We want to do the same thing this summer.

The hospital had a busy autumn and winter. Nurses and doctors worked hard. With all of the work and strain we were grateful that everyone kept in good health. Particularly were we grateful for the return of Dr. McClanahan. With him came Miss Mary Anderson of the Westminster church in Des Moines and we rejoice to have her on our staff. Recently we have had much sickness but we hope the days of measles and jaundice are about over. We have tried too to work in a short, winter vacation. With several nurses sick it has not been easy but it has been worth-while.

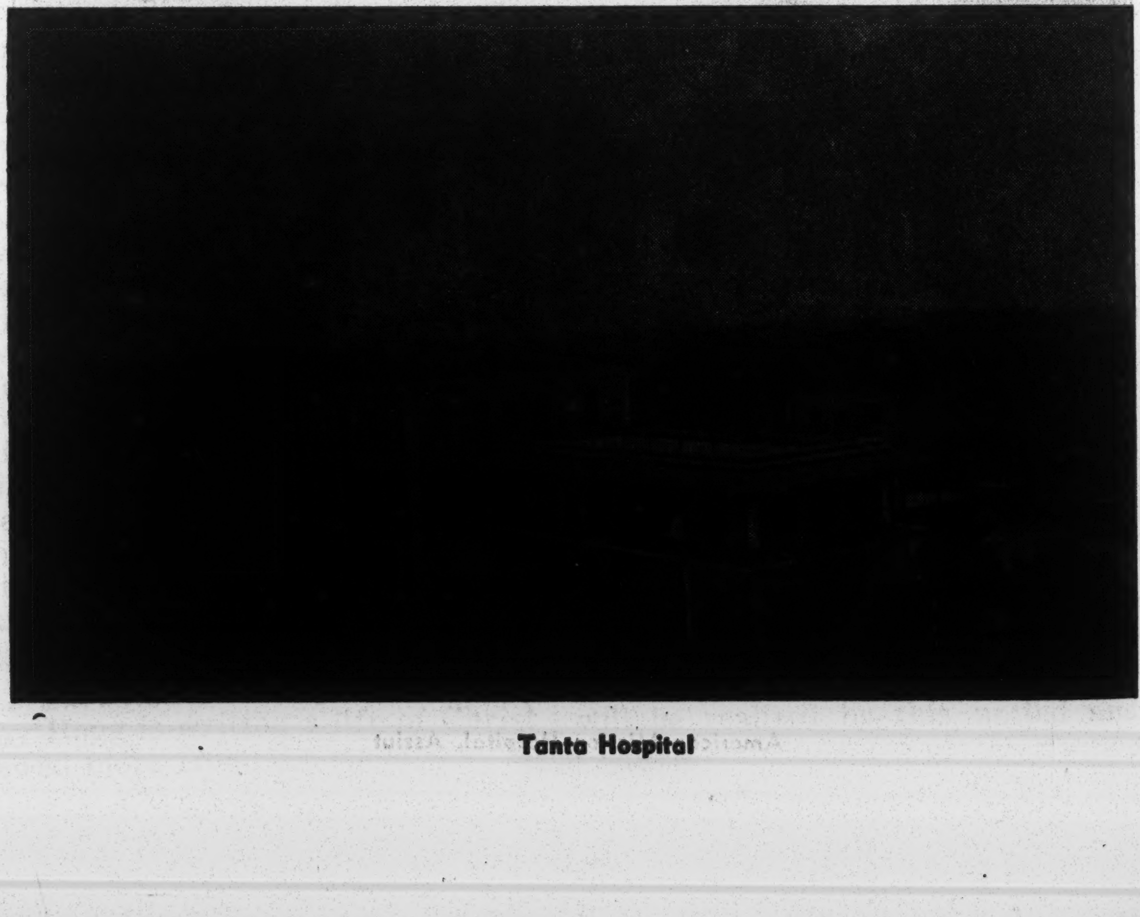
Our alumnae group is not a very active one but we did get together for a tea in January which everyone felt was a real success. Perhaps next year we will be more ambitious. Our alumnae who now live in Assiut are increasing in number and with direction would be willing to render some service to the hospital.

God has been very good to us in many ways and we are grateful for the blessings that have been ours. We pray that He will work through the nurses of Assiut Hospital for the blessing of every patient who comes into the hospital.

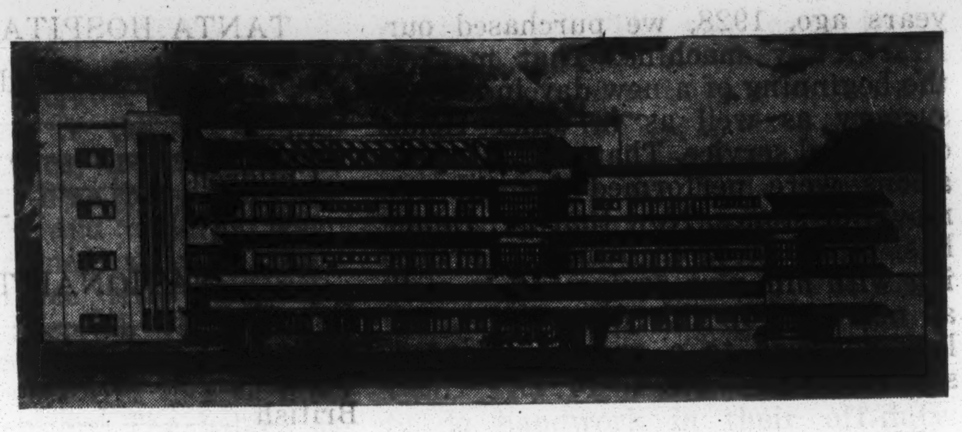
Helen R. Brownlee

AMERICAN MISSION HOSPITAL

The year 1948 has not been without its problems and its discouragements, but it has also brought much cause for thanking our Heavenly Father. The work has prospered in every way. We have lived to see the hospital so popular that beds cannot be provided for all who are anxious and willing to be admitted for treatment. Fees have not been too difficult to collect so that the finances of the



Tanta Hospital



Proposed New Building, Tanta Hospital

institution are on a comfortable basis. With the good will of the community and the hearty support of the home church behind us, we look forward with great hope into the future.

Two additional workers from America joined us during the early months of the year — Mrs. R. W. Walker of Youngstown who cares for the housekeeping, and Miss Helen Kirkness of Seattle who has become indispensable as a floor nurse. In October Miss Shirley Moss of Wilkinsburg arrived to act as secretary. Just before the year closed, Dr. Dalton Galloway returned to supervise the building project.

For nine months of the year we were hampered by the absence of Dr. Emile Sayegh. However, the year of study in America was the fulfilment of a long postponed plan, not only in his desire, but also in our hopes for the development of this institution. Dr. Emile found much in America that was useful to him professionally. Already the hospital and those whom we serve have benefitted from that time of study. He also found joy in fellowship with church people. We are grateful to those who made his sojourn worthwhile.

Plans have gone steadily forward toward the erection of our new building that is so desperately needed. Specifications are ready for the building of the first two units. We hope that long before this report is published, the permits will be in hand and the walls will be going up. Crowded conditions in every department of the work make relief in the near future imperative. If the plans calling for what to us seems a minimum addition to our present space, ever become completed building, you faithful ones in the church are going to supply the funds.

To those who have provided for increased efficiency in the work, by supplying new equipment this past year, we express our special thanks. We are engaged in a task that requires wisdom and patience greater than is given to man. If the task is performed and the Kingdom advanced, it will be because you are faithful in prayer that God may have His way here.

A study of the year's statistical report is of interest to those who have kept in touch with the institution through the years. The total number of patients admitted (2615) exceeds by almost 100 the number for any previous year.

The number of operations performed (822) is not a record; but many records have been made in the year's surgery due to the type of cases. The work done in urinary surgery is perhaps the most outstanding. Almost 150 operations were performed to remove stones from the urinary tract. In more than half of these cases, the bladder was opened to correct conditions arising as the result of bilharzia which is the curse of the Egyptian peasant. Just twenty years ago, 1928, we purchased our first X-ray machine. That marked the beginning of a new day in kidney surgery as well as in other fields of medical service. That year 12 operations were performed for the removal of stones. Now that Dr. Emile has returned from America bringing with him new equipment, as well as new skill in this department, we look forward to a greatly enlarged service.

The year saw 44 appendectomies. Many of them were complicated by neglect and delay while they were treated outside. It is of interest that these were all done without the loss of a single patient. Much more rare in surgical service in America would be of our removals of spleens. During 1948 we removed 25 grossly enlarged spleens. These patients were suffering from a disease known as Egyptian Splenomegaly. Often the patient comes in in a very bad state and long years of practice have led us to adopt a course of prolonged treatment in hospital before operation. Thanks to this procedure there were no mortalities in this group.

Another type of work that has greatly increased over the years has been the care of fractures. Naturally this service developed after the X-ray became a part of the hospital equipment. In the report from 1928 we find only three fractures cared for while in 1948 there were 139. The patient with a broken limb 10 or 15 years ago would have been hustled off to the village bone-setter. Now he or his friends ask for something better. He wants an X-ray and a plaster cast because he knows that his friend who had such treatment fared better than the one who went to the bone-setter. Egypt is no longer solely agricultural. The industrial growth has changed the practice of medicine and accident cases are all too common.

Dr. H. S. Hutchison

TANTA HOSPITAL — 1948

Number of patients admitted		2,615
Men	1,587	
Women	766	
Children	262	
		2,615

NATIONALITIES

Egyptian	2,430	
American	41	
Greek	79	
British	8	
Syrian	51	
Armenian	2	
French	2	
Italian	1	
Czechoslovakian	1	
		2,615

RELIGIONS

Muslim	2,079	
Protestant	102	
Coptic	293	
Greek Orthodox	81	
Catholic	18	
Armenian Orthodox	1	
Syrian Orthodox	37	
Jewish	4	
		2,615

RESULTS

Cured	815	
Improved	1,218	
Died	51	
Unimproved	243	
Observation	39	
Delivered	51	
Normal Babies	49	
Refused Treatment	42	
Still in Hospital	107	
		2,615

Additional Missionaries Cared for in Nurses' Flat	35
Total Number of Hospital Days	32,046
Average Number of Hospital Days Per Patient	12¼
Towns and Villages Represented by Hospital Patients	225
Number of Operations	822
Fractures Treated	139
Clinic Examinations	2,936

TANTA HOSPITAL

Many new experiences come to us when we are appointed to a new station. There are all the workers to meet. Then there are families to know, too. In these busy days we meet the wives and children when they come for medical care. Last week we had three wives with their babies in the hospital. They are always so grateful for friendly service that one feels eager to give them additional attention. The babies especially appeal to us. There is so much need for Child Welfare work. Our facilities here are inadequate for the care of children. We do have a children's ward crowded with five cribs. Because of the lack of trained workers, a mother is usually provided with a bed in the room. The children are usually accompanied by a parent. The other day a father brought his three-year-old son in for an operation. We placed a crib in the well-filled men's ward next to the father's bed. There is need for the development of a Pediatric Department. So far we have not been able to secure enough nurses to permit this special branch of work.

There are plans to start classes for the men and girls who act as nurse assistants. These auxiliary workers can be trained to do much of the routine work. The men come in to work by the day, but the girls "live in." In addition to their weekly prayer meeting, the girls have started daily devotions. Miss Emily, the hospital Bible teacher, leads them. She has also encouraged the illiterate ones to learn to read and write. Some who know help to teach others who have never learned. The Laubach method reaches into many corners of the field. The girls are also learning to do handwork in their off-duty hours. We wish we could find time to teach them to sew.

We give thanks that the nurses have been well through the busy winter months. They are appreciated by both native and foreign patients for their efficient Christian service. Pray with us that they continue to grow in Christian grace and be enthusiastic about their work. Tanta Hospital very much needs a Nurses' Training School to prepare staff for the work capacity for work. Young girls find it difficult to endure the necessary rigid training.

We ask that you pray for us in these trying times, that we shall be ever conscious of the fact that our medical work is a means of approach and not an end in itself.

Nellie Hill

Tanta Hospital Scenes

TANTA HOSPITAL

When I think back over the past year I recall the morning Dr. Jamison was making rounds in the men's ward and stopped to ask a patient if he were eating his two eggs daily. The man replied, "No." When the doctor asked why, one of the other patients came forth with the answer, "He is saving the eggs to sell to the visitors on visiting day." Whereupon Dr. Jamison looked in the patient's basket and found twelve eggs (hard boiled), which he made the man eat immediately for discipline. Then I remember the day Mrs. Walker was serving diets and lacked having enough fruit for one tray so asked the errand boy to bring a youssef afendi (tangerine). The boy came back bringing our mechanic whose name is Youssef Afendi.

Ali was a little boy of nine or ten with splenomegalia and also had an enlarged liver. The doctors thought the boy was not able for an operation. Because Ali had a cousin who had had the operation and was greatly improved, he wanted his spleen removed too and refused to leave the hospital without an operation. After more than a month of treatment the doctors finally operated. Ali was happy. Much to our surprise he recovered rapidly and was out of bed in a few days. I think of all the young boys and girls who come into our hospital because of accidents in factories, some with fingers missing, fractures of all kinds, burns, often disabling and disfiguring them for the rest of their lives. We wonder what happens to them when they return to their village unable to work or provide for themselves.

Also I recall the number of times when we have just started an operation, sometimes using special electrical instruments, to have the lights turned off by the city. How nice it will be when we are able to have our own electrical plant. So life goes in our hospital. We have funny, amusing things happening along with the seriousness of taking care of patients. It has been a good year and we are thankful that we have been able to carry on with God's Work here in Tanta Hospital.

Alberta A. Tedford

CAIRO

I have been back from Gaza in the A. F. S. C. Refugee work since March 31, 1949. On my return I found Miss Lightowler having penicillin every third hour because of a chest condition. Also one of the children was having penicillin for an abscess in her leg. Gomer and I shared the work so that each one of us was up but once in the night. This continued until April 3. Since then I have been getting some rest. While I knew the work in the camp was strenuous I hardly realized how weary I was and even yet I know there are still results to overcome. I know it was nothing less than our duty as a mission to help in every way; to me it is still only a palliative measure which can never be a cure for the world's troubles and misery. This project is committed to a silence regarding the "Message of Christ" and yet we were constantly besieged with questions as to the origin and purpose of the A.F.S.C. These questions came large-

At the Front Door of Tanta Hospital

ly from the military officials of the P.H.D. with whom we worked. We certainly needed to be "wise as serpents and harmless as doves."

Our team consisted of "friends" and "non-friends," preachers, school teachers, college president and professor, nurses and doctors. Besides Americans we had English, French, Dutch, Swiss, Finnish, Swedish, Egyptian and Palestinian. If you receive bulletins from the A.F.S.C. you will be reading of the activities of the Gaza area. Also I shall try to write something which can be used for publication as well. I fear to speak too freely because our problems seemed uppermost at the time and our internal organization was yet incomplete. Many times I offered a silent prayer that I belonged to an organization such as ours. I had to remind myself many times that we were an emergency Group meeting a serious emergency which the U.N. were trying to care for.

Lucy Lightowler is planning her mid-term and Helen Armstrong expects to be away through August. I expect to remain in Egypt and mostly in Cairo; I will have the responsibility of the "Home" through August. I will attend Association July 5 and then spend a couple of weeks in Tanta in July, I hope.

Jane C. Smith

CAIRO CENTER

Our little Welfare Center continues to serve in its quiet way and it is comforting and safe to be right here on Mission property. Our numbers have not been so many this winter but we hope they will increase in another month when the warm weather comes.

On Friday of this week a woman came with a wee baby. She was blind and reported that her husband was also blind. He had been put into jail because of suspicion and she was pathetic. We cared for the baby, giving a bath as well as eye treatment, inviting her to return. Dr. Ewing Bailey came this week to take some pictures for slides to be used in his medical lecture which he is preparing.

Just now we have three little ones for whom we feel responsible and they are old enough for school. The Goodyear Heights Society of Cleveland Presbyterial sent me $150 for this year's tuition. Little Muhamad's mother works in the Welfare Center. Suad's grandmother is our Bible teacher and little Fatthijja is the daughter of Ansaf who spent some years in the "Home" when Miss Ella Barnes was here. The two are non-Christians but are charming children and are learning well.

Jane C. Smith

Children in Welfare Center at Cairo

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1901, Monmouth, Ill.	Mrs. J. T. Logue	Cleveland
1902, Xenia, Ohio	Mrs. H. T. Jackson	Monmouth
1903, Allegheny, Pa.	Mrs. George M. Moore	Xenia
1904, Bloomington, Ind	Mrs. Charles W. Crowe	Philadelphia
1905, Albany, Oregon	Mrs. A. N. Porter	Rock Island
1906, Des Moines, Iowa	Mrs. W .P. White	Oregon
1907, Topeka, Kans.	Mrs. W. R. Baldridge	Des Moines
1908, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Mrs. J. P. White	Kansas City
1909, Buffalo, N. Y.	Mrs. J. L. Hervey	New York
1910, St. Louis, Mo.	Mrs. J. W. Ashwood	Muskingum
1911, Greeley, Colo.	Mrs. R. Rutledge	Illinois Southern
1912, Chicago, Ill.	Miss Anna Milligan	Monongahela
1913, Washington, Pa.	Mrs. R. W. McGranahan	Tennessee
1914, Philadelphia, Pa.	Mrs. J. V. Clark	Chartiers
1915, Spokane, Wash.	Mrs. I. C. Rankin	Colorado
1916, Xenia, Ohio	Miss Lillian M. Robertson	Spokane
1917, Sterling, Kans.	Mrs. R. A. Elliott	Muskingum
1918, Allegheny, Pa.	Mrs. E. C. Wellman	Arkansas Valley
1919, Cambridge, Ohio	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Allegheny
1920, Youngstown, Ohio	Mrs. James S. Hill	First Ohio
1921, Fort Morgan, Colo.	Mrs. J. A. McDonald	Cleveland
1922, New Castle, Pa.	Miss Ruth A. Work	Assiut, Egypt
1923, Los Angeles, Calif.	Mrs. A J. Randles	Beaver Valley
1924, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Mrs. W. E. McCullough	Los Angeles
1925, Boston, Mass.	Mrs. Wm. J. Gilmore	Monongahela
1926, Monmouth, Ill.	Mrs. E. Paul Jones	Des Moines
1927, Pittsburg, Kans.	Miss Lulu Buchanan	Monmouth
1928, Buffalo, N. Y.	Mrs. R. Francis Hall	Des Moines
1929, Philadelphia, Pa.	Mrs. W. M. Hopping	Caledonia
1930, Greensburg, Pa.	Mrs. George Patterson	Philadelphia
1931, Everett, Wash.	Mrs. Fred W. Morgan	Westmoreland
1932, Columbus, Ohio	Mrs. E. M. Walrath	Puget Sound
1933, Pittsburgh, (Allegheny) Pa.	Mrs. E. D. McKune	Mansfield
1934, Steubenville, Ohio	Mrs. Chas. W. Fulton	Allegheny
1935, Grove City, Pa.	Mrs. E. E. Erskine	Steubenville
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1938, New Wilmington, Pa.	Mrs. W. R. Irvine	Arkansas Valley
1939, Grinnell, Iowa	Mrs. Wm. McElwee, Jr.	Mercer
1940, Santa Ana, Calif.	Mrs. J. W. Bickett	Des Moines
1941, Washington, D. C.	Mrs. A. E. Kelly	Los Angeles
1942, Akron, Ohio.	Mrs. R. W. Caldwell	Philadelphia
1943, Pittsburgh, Pa.	Mrs. John R. Louden	Cleveland
1944, New Concord, Ohio	Mrs. Thos. F. Baker	Monongahela
1945-46, Tarkio, Mo.	Mrs. Robert N. Montgomery	Muskingum
1947, Monmouth, Ill.	Mrs. M. Earle Collins	College Springs
1948, Boston, Mass.	Mrs. Grant, B. Gibson	Kansas City
1949, Sterling, Kansas	Mrs. John W. Steele	Boston

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1883, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Allegheny
1884. Mrs. J. A. Ferguson, Colorado
1885, Miss Mary J. Clokey, Xenia
1886, Mrs. Jas. A. Watt, Westmoreland
1887. Mrs. E. S. Gordon, Indiana
1888, Miss Sallie McDowell, Xenia
1889, Mrs. R. T. Elliott, Philadelphia
1890-1906, Mrs. Mary W. Porter, Monongahela
1906-1917, Mrs. J. T. Logue, Cleveland
1917-1942 Miss Lillian M. Robertson, Chicago
1942-1948 Mrs. E. D. McKune, Idaho

TREASURERS

1883, Miss Linn Pressley, Allegheny
1884, Miss Maggie Wylie, Monmouth
1885, Mrs. S. G. Crabbe, Xenia
1886-1904, Miss E. J. Sloan, Monongahela
1904-1941, Mrs. J. B. Hill, Monongahela
1941-1942, Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer, Monongahela
1942- Mrs. Samuel E. Baird, Allegheny

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*1886-1904 Mrs. W. J. Reid
*1886-1905 Miss E. J. Sloan
*1886-1932 Mrs. H. C. Campbell
*1886-1887 Mrs. Wm. Edie
*1886-1909 Mrs. J. B. Herron
*1886-1887 Mrs. E. W. Hill
*1886-1889 Mrs. Joseph McCartney
*1886-1887 Mrs. J. D. Irons
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*1886-1892 Mrs. Mary Samson
*1886-1908 Mrs. Mary W. Porter
*1886-1892 Mrs. Agnes K. Duff
*1888-1891 Mrs. J. R. Johnston
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*1888-1890 Mrs. Thomas Stewart
*1888-1892 Mrs. J. M. Wallace
*1891-1897 Mrs. W. H. McMillan
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*1894-1895 Mrs. J. M. Stewart
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*1898-1898 Miss Bessie Lambie
*1897-1897 Mrs. Joseph Kyle
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*1898-1908 Mrs. E. M. Hill
*1899-1901 Mrs. Jean Sands
*1900-1904 Mrs. R. S. Smith
*1900-1906 Miss Elizabeth Caughey
*1900-1917 Mrs. Samuel Yourd
*1900-1900 Mrs. Mary Lowry Morton
1901-1902 Mrs. W. R. Wilson
*1901-1941 Mrs. J. B. Hill
1902-1903 Mrs. T. D. Mellon
*1904-1907 Mrs. N. L. Wallace
*1905-1907 Mrs. R. A. Elliott
*1905-1906 Mrs. Wm. Nease
1908-1909 Mrs. J. S. Hill
*1907-1911 Mrs. Jas. A. Alexander
*1907-1944 Mrs. J. D. Sands
1906-1911 Mrs. John A. Crawford
*1906-1912 Mrs. John A. Wilson
*1909-1912 Mrs. Susan McNall Herriott
1908-1913 Mrs. R. C. Morton
*1909-1944 Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
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*1911-1915 Miss Jennie Clark
*1912-1926 Mrs. John S. Crawford
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1912-1928 Mrs. I. H. Milliken
*1912-1913 Mrs. J. W. Harsha
*1913-1923 Miss Carrie M. Reed
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1939-1943 Mrs. R. M. Karr
1941- Mrs. Samuel E. Baird
1941- Mrs. H. Ray Shear
1941- Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison
1942- Miss Edith L. McBane
1943-1944 Mrs. Paul M. Haas
1943-1945 Mrs. Charles Bradley Warren
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1915-1917 Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1917-1944 Mrs. J. D. Sands
1944-1946 Mrs. O. H. Milligan
1946- Mrs. J. M. Heagen

VICE PRESIDENTS

	First	Second
1886-1888	Mrs. J. B. Herron	Mrs. J. D. Irons
1888-1890	Mrs. J. B. Herron	Miss E. D. Brown
1890-1891	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. J. B. Herron
1891-1893	Mrs. Eliza J. McPherson	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1893-1894	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter	Mrs. W. H. McMillan
1894-1895	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1895-1896	Mrs. W. H. McMillan	Miss E. D. Brown
1896-1897	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson	Mrs. G. W. McDonald
1897-1898	Mrs. G. W. McDonald	Mrs. J. A. Grier
1898-1899	Mrs. G. W. McDonald	Mrs. M. M. Patterson
1899-1901	Mrs. E. M. Hill	Mrs. J. A. Grier
1901-1902	Mrs. E. M. Hill	Miss E. D. Brown
1902-1903	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1903-1904	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. T. D. Mellon
1904-1906	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1906-1909	Miss E. D. Brown	Mrs. John A. Wilson
1909-1910	Mrs. N. W. Stevenson	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1910-1912	Mrs. Samuel Yourd	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1912-1913	Mrs. Samuel Yourd	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1913-1915	Mrs. Samuel Yourd	Miss Jennie H. Clark
1916-1916	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1916-1917	Mrs. J. D. Sands	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1917-1919	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook	Miss Carrie M. Reed
1919-1920	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Miss Carrie M. Reed
1920-1923	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1923-1924	Mrs. D. J. Brown	Miss Elizabeth Milligan
1924-1925	Miss Ida B. Little	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1925-1925	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1926-1927	Mrs. W. R. McMunn	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen
1927-1928	Miss Elizabeth Milligan	Mrs. J. French Kerr
1928-1929	Mrs. R. E. English	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1929-1930	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1930-1931	Miss Ida B. Little	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1931-1932	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1932-1933	Mrs. W. R. McMunn	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1933-1934	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1934-1935	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton	Mrs. Edgar M. Murdoch
1935-1936	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1936-1937	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1937-1938	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton
1938-1939	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1939-1940	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1940-1941	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Robert M. Karr
1941-1942	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1942-1943	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Miss Ida B. Little
1943-1944	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen
1944-1945	Mrs. O. H. Milligan	Mrs. A. B. McBride
1945-1946	Mrs. Joseph M. Heagen	Mrs. H. Ray Shear
1946-	Mrs. H. Ray Shear	Miss Ida B. Little

RECORDING SECRETARIES

1886-1891	Miss M. M. Shaw (Mrs. J. C. Doty)
1891-1899	Mrs. Mary W. Porter
1899-1900	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson
1900-1902	Mrs. R. S. Smith
1902-1902	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1902-1907	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1907-1910	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1910-1912	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1912-1916	Mrs. J. S. Crawford
1916-1920	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1919-1919	Mrs. W. R. Wilson
1920-1939	Miss Jennie B. Wallace
1939-1941	Mrs. Joseph S. Mason
1941-1942	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird
1942-	Miss Edith L. McBane

TREASURERS

1886-1904	Miss E. J. Sloan
1904-1941	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1941-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1942-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

Foreign

1886-1904	Mrs. W. J. Reid
1904-1908	Mrs. E. M. Hill
1908-1909	Mrs. J. A. Wilson
1909-1932	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1932-1944	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1944-1945	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1945-	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride

Home

1886-1909	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1909-1909	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1909-1910	Mrs. R. C. Morton
1910-1944	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1944-	Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch

Negro

1886-1901	Dr. C. Jane Vincent
1901-1902	Mrs. W. R. Wilson
1902-1904	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1904-1907	Mrs. R. A. Elliott
1907-1917	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1917-1941	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1941-	Mrs. H. Ray Shear

Parsonage

1892-1893	Mrs. Jennie H. Gillespie
1893-1894	Mrs. Thos. Stewart
1894-1898	Mrs. M. M. Patterson
1898-1912	Mrs. George W. McDonald
1912-1920	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1920-1926	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1926-1939	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1939-1944	Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch
1945-	Mrs. William L. Neal

Thank Offering

1893-1920	Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter
1920-1946	Mrs. O. H. Milligan
1946-	Mrs. Thomas H. Newcomb

Junior

1893-1894	Mrs. T. J. Gillespie
1894-1912	Mrs. N. Wylie Stevenson
1912-1923	Mrs. L. H. Milliken
1924-1943	Mrs. W. R. McMunn
1943-1944	Mrs. Paul M. Haas
1944-	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton

Literature

1894-1894	Mrs. Annie R. Herron
1894-1897	Mrs. E. J. McPherson
1897-1899	Mrs. Jas. A. Grier
1899-1901	Miss Emma Mabon
1901-1906	Miss Elizabeth Caughey
1906-1910	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1910-1912	Miss Susan E. McNall
1912-1913	Mrs. J. W. Harsha
1913-1914	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1914-1932	Miss Elizabeth Milligan
1933-1944	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1944-1945	Mrs. Charles Bradley Warren
1945-	Mrs. Walter H. Holt

Railroad

1896-1907	Miss E. D. Brown
1907-1908	Mrs. Samuel Yourd
1908-1909	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1909-1910	Mrs. Wm. S. Cook
1910-1912	Miss Susan McNall
1912-1914	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1914-1915	Mrs. R. Maurice Trimble
1915-1918	Mrs. J. Howard Maxwell
1918-1919	Mrs. M. R. Wilson
1919-1920	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1920-1939	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1939-	Miss Ida B. Little

Women (including Statistical and Efficiency

1897-1898	Mrs. M. J. Stewart
1898-1899	Mrs. M. J. Stevenson
1899-1908	Mrs. M. W. Porter
1908-1910	Mrs. Caroline Porter Hill
1910-1911	Mrs. J. A. Alexander
1911-1915	Miss Jennie H. Clark
1915-1916	Mrs. Maurice Trimble
1917-1926	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1926-1931	Mrs. R. E. English
1931-1932	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
1932-1933	Mrs. A. J. Randles
1933-1939	Mrs. Edgar B. Murdoch
1939-1943	Mrs. Robert M. Karr
1943-	Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison

Young Women

1903-1904	Mrs. T. D. Mellon
1904-1908	Mrs. Nancy L. Wallace
1908-1911	Mrs. J. A. Alexander
1912-	Miss Ida B. Little

Temperance

1909-1918	Mrs. R. C. Morton
1918-1920	Mrs. J. H. Maxwell
1920-1926	Mrs. W. P. Wiegering
1926-1941	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1941-1943	Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison
1943-1944	Mrs. Charles B. Warren
1945-1946	Mrs. Howard M. Bruce
1946-1949	Mrs. G. Virgil Hutchison, Acting Sec'y
1949-	Mrs. W. J. Harper McKnight

Indian

1912-1916	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1916-1926	Mrs. John S. Crawford
1926-1926	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1926-1926	Miss Jennie B. Wallace
1926-1931	Mrs. J. French Kerr
1931-1946	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
1946-1947	Mrs. T. C. Strangeway
1947-	Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery

Benevolence

1913-1941	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1941-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1942-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird

Financial

1914-1917	Mrs. Ada Kerr Wilson
1917-1919	Miss Ida B. Little
1919-1920	Mrs. O. H. Milligan
1920-1926	Mrs. D. J. Brown
1926-1926	Mrs. J. B. Hill
1926-1932	Mrs. J. D. Sands
1932-1945	Mrs. Arthur B. McBride
1945-1949	Mrs. William L. Neal

Testamentary and Annuity

1903-1932	Mrs. H. C. Campbell
1932-1942	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1942-	Mrs. Samuel E. Baird

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1926-1934	Mrs. Harriet S. Boobyer
1934-1944	Mrs. Charles W. Fulton
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For the first 17 years there were four and sometimes five members of "The Magazine Committee." Two were designated as "Editorial Committee," one as "Secretary and Proof Reader," one as Treasurer. For a time an additional one was Young People's Secretary.

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MY COUNTRY IS THE WORLD

My country is the world; I count
No son of man my foe,
Whether the warm life-currents mount
And mantle brows like snow
Or red or yellow, brown or black,
The face that into mine looks back.

My party is all humankind,
My platform brotherhood;
I count all men of honest mind
Who work for human good,
And for the hope that gleams afar,
My comrades in this holy war.

My heroes are the great and good
Of every age and clime,
Too often mocked, misunderstood,
And murdered in their time,
But spite of ignorance and hate
Known and exalted soon or late.

My country is the world; I scorn
No lesser love than mine,
But calmly wait that happy morn
When all shall own his sign,
And love of country as of clan
Shall yield to world-wide love of man.

—*Robert Whitaker*

REPORT OF

United Presbyterian Women's Association of North America

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

The members of the Women's Association of the United Presbyterian Church of North America extend greetings to the members of their sister organization, the Women's General Missionary Society.

We are keenly aware of the honor and the responsibility inherent in presenting this report to your delegates, assembled in annual convention. However, since the individual memberships of the missionary societies and the Women's Association are so interlocking we feel, somewhat, as if we had been requested to explain ourselves to ourselves. But the organizations, as incorporated, are separate and distinct. The Women's Association is concerned solely with the ownership and management of three well-defined projects, an Orphans' Home, a Hospital and a Home for Aged People. All three institutions are located in the environs of Pittsburgh, Pa., as contrasted with the widely scattered and diversified interests of the W.G.M.S.

In 1878, only twenty years after the United Presbyterian denomination came into existence, the Women's Association was founded, with its principal object being "to advance the Kingdom of Christ and improve the moral, intellectual and social conditions of women and children." Dr. James M. Fulton, then pastor of the Fourth Church, Allegheny, (now North Side, Pittsburgh) is called the founder of the Association.

The whole history of its service to the United Presbyterian Church and to the communities in which the three institutions have been located, is a fascinating one. It has functioned for seventy-one years. Through all those years runs a story of courage and faith; courage to meet the unpredictable problems and faith that it was the Lord's work and would be prospered. With no money, save charitable gifts and no definite appropriation from any source these "Dauntless Women" built even better than they knew.

THE ORPHANS' HOME

The children were the first care of the Association and our Orphans' Home the first to be established. The Home is managed by a Board of twenty-five women, aided by an Auxiliary, both Boards devoted to the cause for which the Association was founded.

It was our privilege, on Easter Sabbath, to attend the afternoon praise service at the Orphans' Home. The present Home is located near Valencia, Pennsylvania, about twenty miles north of Pittsburgh, amid the rolling hills and fields of a beautifully kept farm. The house is stately and dignified, erected by people of means and culture. Many of the lovely things now there came from the former owners and lend an air of charm. What an inspiration it was to watch the nearly fifty children assemble quietly, and sit attentively through the service. Listening to them singing "Christ Is Risen," one felt surely they are receiving the Christian training every child should have. Rev. and Mrs. Campbell, the superintendents are creating a homelike, Christian atmosphere, natural and unaffected, which reflects in the children's attitudes.

Mr. Campbell said, "Please tell the women we have *no* children for adoption! Some people have been disappointed to find that we seldom have real orphans in our Home. Most of the children are from homes broken by divorce or separation, the most tragic children of all; some from homes disrupted by death or illness, but still with some relative who does not want to give them up entirely. But in no instance are we free to offer a child for adoption."

Formerly the age of dismissal was fourteen. This has been raised, since it created too serious a handicap for the child. Naturally, more space is needed, now, for the teen-agers. The architect's sketch for a proposed new wing, over the Recreation Hall, which you doubtless have seen in the church papers, is the pictured solution for that problem.

Anyone who stops to think will realize that the destinies of the nation and of Christ's Kingdom on earth are bound up in the hearts of our children and if you honestly pray "Thy Kingdom come . . . on earth," you will be striving earnestly to save everyone of His Little ones for Him.

COLUMBIA HOSPITAL

Until last year, the board of managers of Columbia Hospital had always consisted of twenty-five women. At that time, a new board of directors, composed of five former women members and eleven men was elected. This Board still serves, their first term extending until October, 1949.

Much has been accomplished this first year. Our free work amounted to $54,000. The most pressing problem at the moment is the installation of a new elevator at an estimated cost of $40,000.

We are happy to report several splendid improvements.

Two rooms have been completely refurnished, one by the Pi Beta Phi, Pittsburgh Alumnae Club, the other by Dr. W. J. McGregor and family in memory of Mrs. McGregor.

The Lions Club of Wilkinsburg donated the funds for a Blood Bank.

The Wilkinsburg Rotarians have set up a Scholarship Fund, available to young women needing financial assistance to enter our School of Nursing. If you can recommend high school graduates who want to study nursing, or will tell your young friends about these scholarships, we shall appreciate it.

The dietary department on our fifth floor has been completely renovated.

The Auxiliary Board also has supplied new furnishings for a waiting room in the hospital proper and new scatter rugs, drapes and bed spreads for the nurses' dormitory. We express our thanks to these donors and to the many others who have so generously remembered us this year.

Our school of nursing is accredited by the state. The Auxiliary Board equipped a new laboratory. This accommodates sixteen students. Early in March '49, we "capped" a class of thirty, attractive, pre-clinical students, as they successfully completed the first six months of their training. Dr. Helen Martin, of Cairo College was the speaker and will agree that the ceremony of lighting the candles in the Florence Nightingale lamps, as the girls took the nurses' vow, was impressive. Eighteen nurses were graduated in October and were started on their careers with the good advice of Mrs. John P. White's appealing address. Nurses are expected to attend chapel when not on duty. On Sabbath afternoons students from Pittsburgh-Xenia Seminary conduct services at the hospital.

We have come a long way since the small "Memorial Hospital" days. The daily census is high. Our capacity is 234 beds. The monthly operating cost last year averaged about $65,000, or $11.00 per patient, per day.

The new Board, in acquainting itself with its task, owes much to our loyal superintendent, Miss Martha Speer. Under the continuing leadership of the president of the Board, Mr. Clyde Armstrong, our hopes are high for Columbia Hospital.

HOME FOR THE AGED

For those who would otherwise be alone in their old age, our Home in

Wilkinsburg is a wonderful blessing! What better report could one render, of the loving care such persons receive, than to tell you of one woman, ninety-five years old, who has spent twenty-four years of her life as a member of the Home Family and of another who has lived there twenty-one years of her eighty-nine!

The Home for the Aged, the third project undertaken by the Women's Association, opened its doors in 1892. For fifty-seven years it has been a haven for homeless old folk and, in that length of time has welcomed 647 members into its family. Unlike the Orphans' Home and the Hospital, it still occupies the original site, in Wilkinsburg. Wings have been added, and an annex built for men.

At the moment, the Family numbers eighty-four. Six of these are retired missionaries; four from our foreign fields, two from the home mission field.

Spiritual needs are met as thoughtfully and carefully as physical needs. Missionary Societies and Guilds, from various churches, meet at the Home occasionally with special programs and extra refreshments. Miss Emma Dean Anderson, now ninety-three, still leads the Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting, Sabbath services are conducted by ministers from the local churches, and Seminary students teach the Monday evening Bible Class. The members of the family show their deep appreciation by attending all these meetings, when physically able. Nor are civic duties neglected. On election day they vote.

This year, the members of the family have been planning and executing many of their own evening entertainments and thoroughly enjoying the results of their efforts. Recently each member of the Auxiliary Board, which always celebrates "special days," has adopted a certain number of the family group, for whom she is personally responsible, for the thoughtful attentions one would bestow upon a beloved relative.

Each of the three institutions has an annual Donation Day Tea and Reception. February twenty-second is the stated date for the Aged.

The waiting list is long. Miss Elizabeth Gilmore, efficient secretary of the Board of Managers asked us to stress the fact that an applicant *must have attained* the age of seventy. The admission fee is nine hundred dollars ($900.00) for one person; for man and wife occupying one room, or two brothers or two sisters occupying one room, the fee is $1200.00. Upon admission, the applicant *must* assign all properties, real or personal, to the Women's Association, for the use of the Home for Aged. Interest thereon at the rate of 4% per annum will be paid to the applicant. Old age pensions (from the Government)are cancelled upon entrance. The Board reserves the right to receive or reject any applicant.

This Board is composed of twenty-five women, who give unstintingly of their time and energy and money, to make the latter years of these lonely folk, happy and content.

CONCLUSION

Once a year we hold a special Prayer and Praise Service, at which no business is conducted. We meet to thank God that our faith, throughout all these years, has been so well rewarded and to pray that our service to the children, to the sick and afflicted and to the lonely aged may be blessed. We know you will join us in that prayer.

(Mrs. R. C.)
Lucile Nevin McKelvey

"When the hour of trouble comes to the mind or the body, and when the hour of death comes, that comes to high and low, then it is na what we hae dune for ourselves but what we hae dune for others, that we think on maist pleasantly."—*Walter Scott*

REPORT OF

Women's Association of the West

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 15, 1949

Greetings to the Women's General Missionary Society in Sterling, Kansas, from the Women's Association of the West in Los Angeles. Congratulations on your fine accomplishments of the past year and our thanks to you for this opportunity of telling of our progress since April, 1948.

The Lord in His kindness has blessed our efforts so that we have gone steadily ahead toward our goals.

We have made the name, "Home for the Aged" mean security and happiness for thirteen women and "Life Care" to two of our devoted United Presbyterian members.

The high spot in our year was awarding the contract for building the first of our double bungalows. It is already started and we hope to have an "open house" in the autumn. We invite you to come to see it. I am sure the retired United Presbyterian minister who will occupy one-half of it will be most happy to welcome you. He will be our first man to come in on Life Care and we are so pleased to have him.

Our next big project is to erect the one-story building containing twelve single rooms which will be called "Robinson Hall"—so named in honor of Mrs. Emma Robinson who was the first president of the Board and is still an interested member of the Association. These rooms will be for Life-Care guests only.

The Annual Ingathering on October 5th was a memorable day. The Presbyterial Prayer Group met at the Home in the morning. After a picnic lunch the bazaar was held under the trees in the spacious yard. Also included in the afternoon program were piano numbers by one of the guests at the Home who is over ninety but who is an inspiration for all of us to exemplify our Christianity in cheerfulness and joy as she does. Our publicity chairman showed colored slides of the Home using interior and exterior views of the guests enjoying themselves.

We again thank all who contributed handwork, canned fruit and other useful articles to the bazaar and the Home. The Board is appreciative of the generosity and prayers of all.

Several times our own Advisory Committee and the committee appointed by the California Synod have met for counsel and advice. Their suggestions have been helpful and we are delighted with their interest and co-operation.

We are still blessed with our efficient, kind and understanding matron, Miss Nell McCorkle. The guests love her. She is serving her Master in a very real sense.

At the Annual Meeting in April the chairman of the entrance committee reported inquiries concerning entrance into the Home from over thirty people living in eleven different states. It is the great desire to care for these good people that urges us on toward our goal—sufficient rooms to care for all eligible elderly people.

The faithful, earnest members of the Board of Directors are determined, with God's help, to make this a reality.

Mrs. R. A. Barmore, President
Mrs. M. E. Brown, Cor. Secretary

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LEARNING THE GLORY SONG

"Faith of Our Fathers"

AGAIN PIONEERS

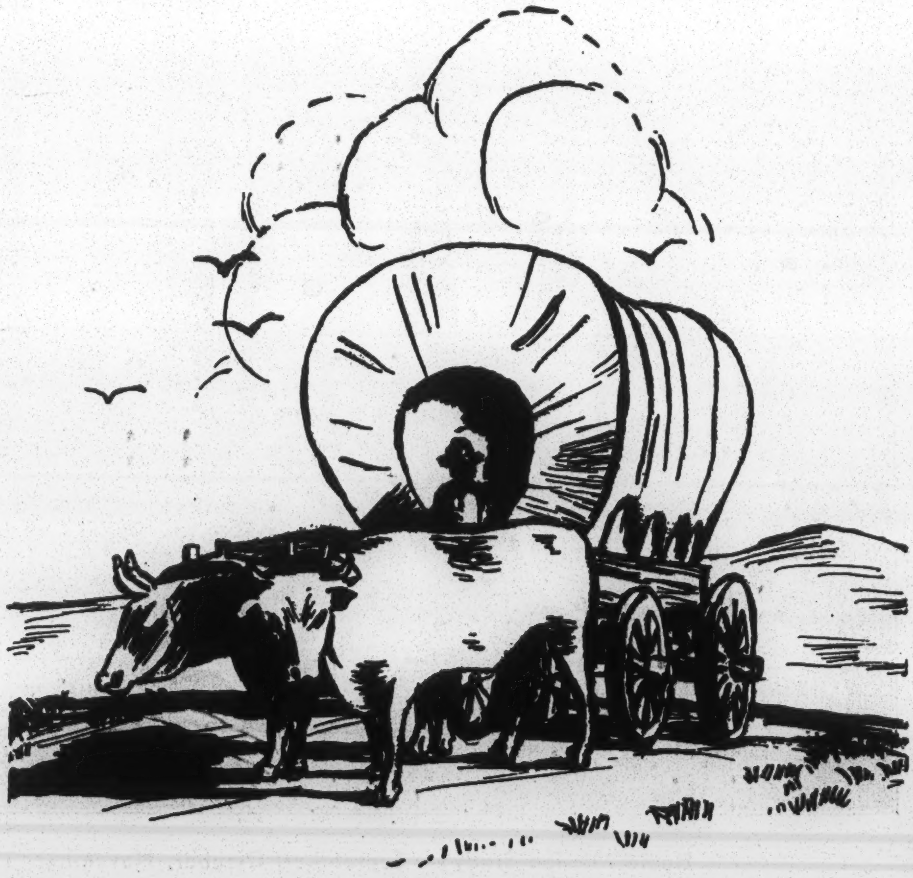
By Herman N. Morse

Chapters 1 and 2 Reviewed by MRS. PAUL E. CARSON, Aurora, Illinois

Again Pioneers is the third book to come to us from the pen of the Reverend Henry N. Morse, D.D., within a very few years. Missionary-minded folk have had the opportunity to study the two previous ones, *Toward a Christian America*, and *These Moving Times*. Dr. Morse is considered one of the best qualified men in the United States on the subject of Home Missions.

In the "Foreword" to his book Dr. Morse presents the challenge of the "Home Mission Enterprise" in four key questions:

1. What has Home Missions stood for in the life of the church and the nation that still matters?
2. What has been happening in American life that significantly affects the need for Home Missions today?
3. What is the Home Mission task now, and for the years ahead?
4. What principles and policies should characterize Home Missions as it looks to the future?



Our Heritage of Faith

What we refer to as the "Home Mission enterprise of the church" and see as a securely established and well-organized feature of Protestant church life in America, has a history almost co-terminous with that of the progress of white settlements on this continent. The author quotes from *The American Churches* by William W. Sweet, as follows: "American Protestants have ..... from the beginning gone forward on the assumption ..... that God and man must work together to build a decent world and a Christian society."

Home Missions began as a response to a few simple convictions, deeply held. As it developed it took different forms at different times, and in different places—always part of a developing civilization. Education, health, our democracy, our culture, our national spirit have all developed the same way—through experiment, in the spirit of adventure, taught by necessity and aspiration.

It took a century and a half to complete the journey from Plymouth Rock to the Western slopes of the Allegheny Mountains. Within a few decades thereafter missionaries were preaching the Word from the headwaters of the Mississippi to its mouth. By the middle 1800's they were laboring in the far Northwest and had the church established on the Pacific Coast.

Wherever missionaries went they were not only preachers and evangelists, but architects and builders of Christian society. Amid all the rigor and hardness of frontier life they released the healing power of Christian brotherhood and love. Their story shows the sort of stuff of which the nation was made. True, it was often narrow and dogmatic but it was the product of determination, deep faith, and lofty vision. Looking back on it today when so many do so little with so much, one wonders how these few could have done so much with so little.

Our author vividly pictures for us the times, the conviction and the ideals of such valiant men of God as John Eliot, Roger Williams, Marcus Whitman, Sheldon Jackson, and other consecrated, courageous missionary pioneers. We are forced to compare our present situation in this modern world of rapid transportation, convenience, beautiful modern church buildings, with the very crude surroundings under which the pioneers labored, and to admit that we are still confronted with the problem of a Christian America.

United Presbyterian Heritage of Faith

From a Souvenir Program of the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the United Presbyterian Church, the following concrete statements are taken:

"The United Presbyterian Church of North America—a union of the Associate and Associate Reformed Presbyterian Churches in 1858. The Associate Church was organized in Scotland in 1733. The Associate Reformed Church was formed in 1782. . . . Before George Washington was born, our church in its ancestry, was a factor in the civic and religious life of our Country."

The actual history of the United Presbyterian Church, as well as the Home Missionary enterprise, began in the 17th century when Protestantism secured its first foothold on the continent of Europe. The name of John Calvin, austere, brilliant, consecrated Frenchman, is associated in the minds of Presbyterians everywhere with that of John Knox.

Acknowledgment is made of the kindness of Dr. W. F. Rotzler, of the Board of American Missions, and Dr. T. M. Taylor, of the Seminary, for historical information used in this article.

COVENANTERS IN A CAVE

When Knox became pastor of the English Church at Geneva, Switzerland, and thus became closely associated with and influenced by Calvin, the future history of Scotland was determined.

When the Protestant Church finally emerged from the years of persecution of the 16th century, it was a church governed by "presbyters," or elders, and with representatives elected by the people. It is this system of democratic government which has given to the Presbyterian Church its name.

It was about the year 1720 that the Reformed Presbyterians began coming to America, where they established scattered congregations. By 1743 members and adherents had become so numerous that they petitioned the home Church in Scotland to send ministers.

The first missionary thus sent was the Reverend John Cuthbertson of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. To this man and others like him we owe a debt of gratitude which we may help to liquidate by our continued efforts in behalf of Home Missions in our day and age.

It was the day of the circuit rider. Dr. W. E. McCulloch, in his book *The United Presbyterian Church and Its Work in America* gives a most interesting account of the first year of Mr. Cuthbertson's labors in this land of "unbroken forests," in the year 1751. "Mr. Cuthbertson preached on one hundred and twenty days, baptized one hundred and ten children, married ten couples, was more than one hundred days in the saddle; he had to cross, without the aid of bridge or boat, streams of considerable volume; he rode twenty-five hundred miles on horseback."

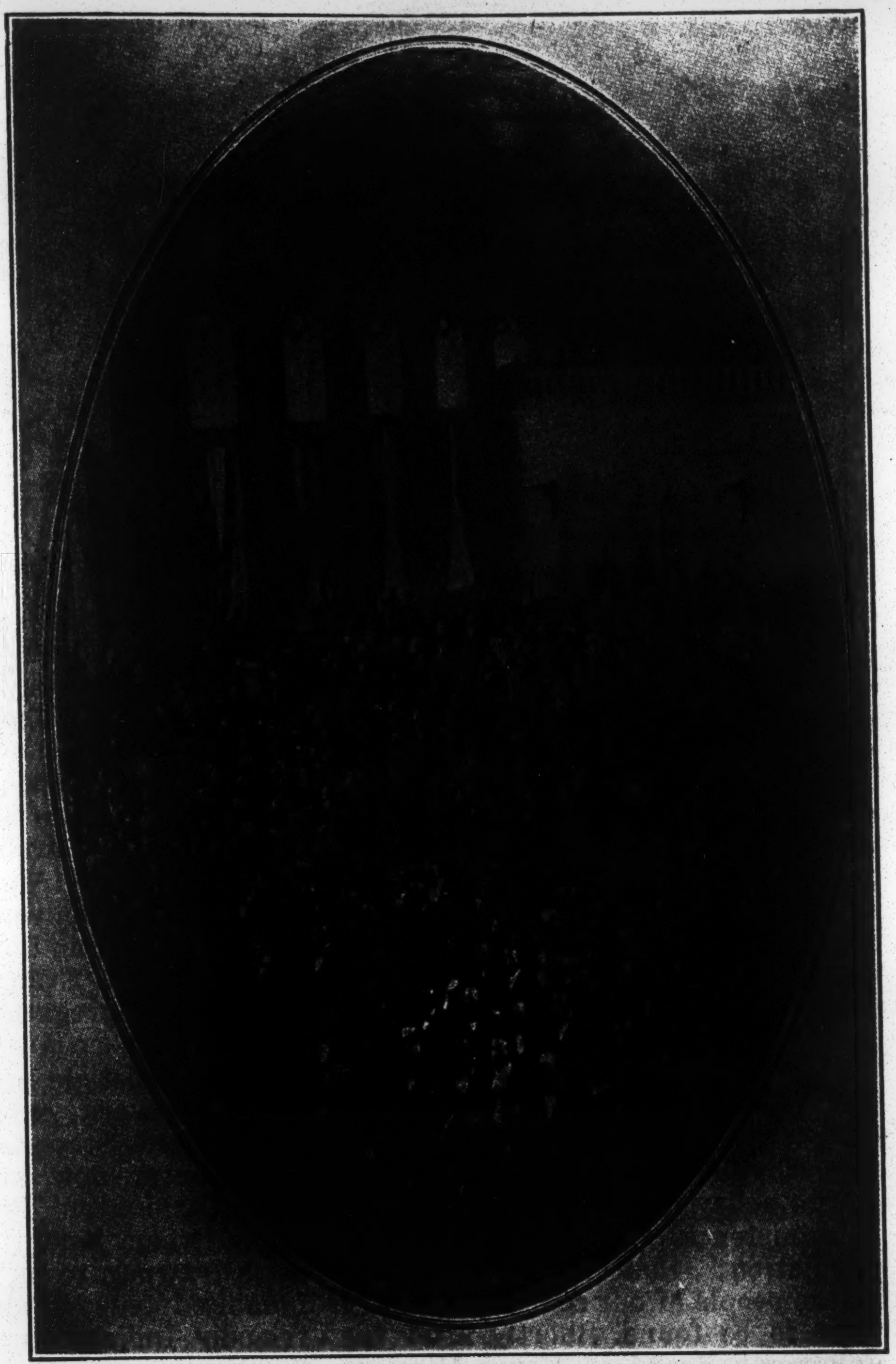
By 1778 the Associate Church had gone west of Fort Pitt to establish Buffalo congregation in what is now Washington County, Pennsylvania, and Mill Creek, later to be known as "Service," in Beaver County, 1790. Service Theological Seminary, although only a log cabin, was there founded, and dedicated to the glory of God in the year 1794. (Later removed to Xenia).

In the hard life of the frontier there was scant opportunity to give to children the schooling in which their parents so earnestly believed; but what few meeting-houses and school-houses there were on the border were credited largely to Presbyterian influence.

Some families moved southward into Kentucky. With them went the missionary-minister. One of the early congregations planted in Greene County, Kentucky, was "Little Barren," 1887. Contrary to the implication of its name it was followed in 1789 by "Marrow Bone," and within a few years "Mill Creek," "Miller's Run," and "Mt. Olivet."

Across the Ohio River lay the Northwest Territory, and in what is now the state of Ohio, Bank Lick, Waynesville, Mill Creek, and Mahoning, were all congregations by 1798.

Out on the plains of Indiana Territory lay Ft. Dearborn, site of what was destined to become America's second-largest city, Chicago. In

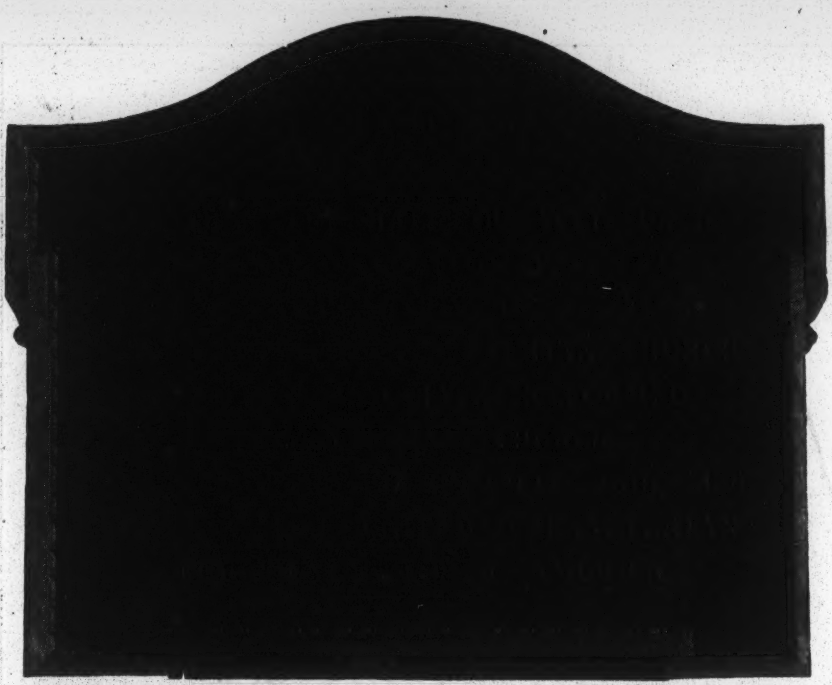


The Scene of the Union, Old City Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa.

1812, (and not for the last time) this fort was captured by the Indians. That same year two of our churches, Kaskaskia and Preston, in what is now western Illinois, came into being.

It was not until 1836 that we progressed across the state of Iowa to found Crawfordsville. This advance was followed in 1841 by a church at Washington, Iowa.

Evidence of the determination to provide Christian education is seen in the founding of Pittsburgh Seminary (1825), Muskingum College (1837), Westminster College (1852), Monmouth College (1856), Tarkio College (1883), and Sterling College (1887). These institutions were founded by home mission devotion, and are still true to the principles upon which they were founded.



Tablet in Old City Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa.

In 1858 the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, and the Associate Presbyterian Church, whose beliefs and practices were identical, consummated a union long desired and prayerfully considered. We love to repeat to our children the story of the events of that May morning when in the city of Pittsburgh, the commissioners of these two Presbyterian groups met, and two by two marched to the Old City Hall. There the formal ceremonies of the union took place. Thus the Church we love and serve, *The United Presbyterian Church,* came into being.

The policy of our church had been to minister to small sections of the population; that is, communities where people of our common ancestry were to be found. Shortly after the union our Board of Home Missions was formed, and thereafter missions were started in many places where there was an opportunity to minister, whether or not there were United Presbyterians living there.

As the forefathers had carried Covenanter principles from Scotland to North Ireland, so their descendants took religious truth with them as they moved westward across the plains, the deserts, the towering range of the Rocky Mountains, and on toward the shores of the blue Pacific.

United Presbyterians in Atchison, Kansas, organized a church there in 1856, to be followed in a few years by Garnett and Americus.

North of Denver a few United Presbyterian families settled, and it was there, at Evans, that our first Colorado congregation was organized in 1874.

The irresistible pressure of American westward expansion gave to the United States that portion of our country now known as Oregon and Washington. Pioneers travelled many weary months overland, in carts drawn by oxen, through a region inhabited only by hunters and unfriendly Indians, to find a home in the Northwest, somewhere along the coast. Such a group founded Oregon City in 1845, our first congregation west of the Rocky Mountains.

In 1865 Dr. J. T. Cooper was sent to investigate the advisability of establishing a United Presbyterian Church in the City by the Golden Gate. Since the Gold Rush the indolent little settlement of Yerba Buena, whose inhabitants had been chiefly frontiersmen and Mission

Indians, had now become a rapidly growing community, her harbor crowded with ships of commerce, and an unquestioned need for the influence of the church. In January, 1866, thirty-eight earnest United Presbyterians met to organize the First United Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, the first church of our denomination on the Pacific Coast.

1720 to 1866! Our heritage of faith and works, prayer and sacrifice, humility and service, effort and achievement! And our privilege is to use this heritage for an America which still stands in need of Home Missions.

These Things Still Matter

What did these intrepid souls strive for that still matters?

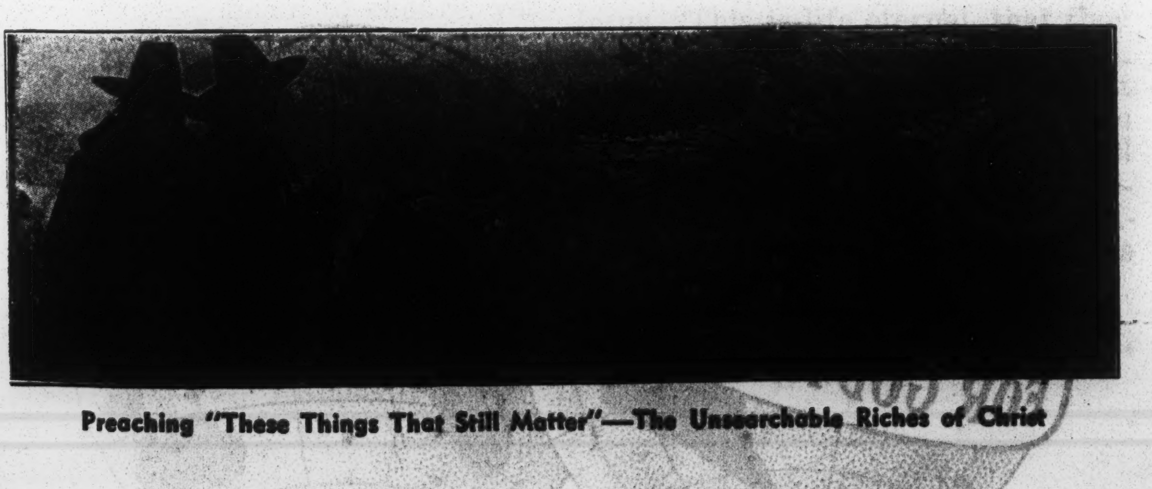
The initial purpose of Home Missions could be summed up in two words: "Go, preach." And because the church believed that deeply enough, Home Missions started. Of all the things that were important in a new land, man's spiritual well-being was the most important; his need of the gospel was his greatest need. Christ's church is under solemn obligation to offer to everyone the opportunity to accept what we believe to be the richest blessing that can come to any individual or any nation.

Sometimes it is difficult for us to eradicate prejudice in our outreach, even as it must have been for the Jews who saw Jesus preaching to Samaritans.

Another lesson we must learn is that to minister to the ills of the world without trying to get at the root of the disease, is benevolent but short-sighted. We must educate and direct the Christian conscience to deal on a *Christian* basis with all the practical affairs of life.

Successive waves of immigration have brought settlers from all over the earth. Within the continent the tides of migration flowed restlessly in every direction. To use a figure, society made progress by a series of explosions like an internal combustion engine. Each crisis set the people moving again, stimulated their inventive genius, sharpened tensions, uncovered more problems, but in the end brought them out again on a new level.

And here was a maturing church going through much the same process, always deepening insights and striving to improve standards. Here too, was the Home Missions enterprise.



Preaching "These Things That Still Matter"—The Unsearchable Riches of Christ

Sufficient Unto Today

Some people are very complacent about the United States today. They see nothing about this wealthiest, strongest nation to challenge their missionary zeal.

We must have a new conception of adequacy in Home Missions just as we are developing radically new conceptions of what is adequate in education, in health and in social welfare. What was adequate—in scope, program, methods, standards 100 years ago, 50 years ago, 10 years ago, is not adequate today.

The most important single factor in the obviously significant development of this period, has been the unprecedently great movement of population within recent years. This is partly explained by industrial demands on civilians preceding and during World War II. Sometimes this migration resulted in establishment of many new communities with equally drastic problems.

These striking estimates are from the Bureau of Census 1940 to 1948: In 1947 less than half the families in the U.S. were living in the same houses they had occupied in 1940. Of the more than seventy million people who had moved at least once during this seven-year period, nearly forty percent had moved to a different state or country. Census release January, 1949, reported one out of every five persons in April, 1948, living in a different house from that in which he had lived a year earlier. In this one post-war year the rate of movement was nearly three times that of the seven previous years.

Where do people go? The answer is, westward and cityward.

A look at any large city will show what has happened to the neighborhoods of the churches established at least fifty years ago, and what has happened to the parish and the constituency.

Out across the country the substantial villages and small towns represent about the most stable element in American life.

If we press our inquiry further we find that all minority groups, whether in city or country, as Negroes, Spanish-speaking, Indian, Orientals have been profoundly affected by the events of recent years.

This modern world is the product of many complex forces. It will probably not remain as it is, nor will it return to what it was. For the time being we have to learn how to live in it while we seek to improve it. The church may well ask where it stands.

Here, in ampler measure than ever before, are all the "raw ingredients" for a greatly expanded Home Missions program.

FOR GOD AND HOME AND EVERY LAND

Worship Service

THEME: LEARNING TO SERVE HIM—OUR WITNESS FOR CHRIST

By MRS. CHARLES L. HUSSEY, Philadelphia, Pa.

"Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee."

Suggestions to Leaders

Opening Prayer—"O God our Father, who didst send Thy Son to save the whole world, bless all who work for Thee at home and in distant lands. Make us glad to help in Thy work, so that all Thy children everywhere may learn to know Thy love, and to share the joy that comes through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen."

Praise—Bible Songs Hymnal
No. 270—"Faith of Our Fathers" (The program topic)
No. 166—"His Praises Speak" —Psalm 149
No. 207—"I Love to Tell the Story"

Prayer Cycle—Days 22, 23 and 24, for our Negro missions in Tennessee and Alabama, and in Los Angeles, Calif. and Dayton, Ohio.

Scripture—I Thess. 5:16, 17, 18; John 17:20

Meditation

The witness of our lips for Christ is expressed in praise, prayer, thanksgiving and testimony.

Praise — "Rejoice evermore." A Christian should be filled with an unceasing joy which transforms every experience of life. Paul, in his own experience, had much to endure, yet he remained unperturbed and cheerful, continually witnessing to the grace of God. "Rejoice at all times" becomes a working possibility for you and me once we see Christ and His Kingdom as did the great apostle. We possess a joy which teaches our lips to sing the Glory Song, "Let the whole earth be filled with His glory." (Ps. 72:19—Program theme verse).

Prayer—"Pray without ceasing." Never give up prayer, urges Paul. Let no argument, no feeling, put you off from this essential spiritual necessity. Make it your daily, unvarying practice—it is bound to yield results. Dedicated lips are praying lips.

Thanksgiving — "In everything when some special blessing is granted give thanks." Be grateful not only when some special blessing is granted you, but cultivate the mood of thankfulness. Paul did in fact succeed in being thankful to God for everything. We too may reach the point where even amid sorrow or trouble or trial we can thank God with our lips.

Testimony—"Neither for these only do I pray, but for them also that believe on me through their word." In His great prayer recorded by John, Jesus reached out to the ends of the world and to the end of time. Here is a program of evangelism—both the method and the message. How simple the *method!* "Them also that believe on me through their word—their spoken word." The gospel is mediated to men through personality. It passes from lip to lip and from heart to heart. There is no other way. Only as the gospel passes from life to life does it pass from land to land. And how simple the *message!* "Them also that believe on me." Here is Christianity defined in the words of Jesus. "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." Our Lord's hand has thrown open the kingdom of heaven to all who believe in Him. This is the evangelistic message to which the testimony of the Christian's lips bears witness.

Program Theme Song:
B.S.H. No. 84, Stanza 4

Closing Prayer

Girls' Circle Program

INTRODUCING—COLLY HARPER

Tumbleweed Boy by Eleanor Hull has been suggested for use in the teen-age groups studying home missions these next two months. It is the engaging story of a migrant family, told from the first-hand experiences of the author who spent a summer travelling about with just such people. We hope you will secure a copy of this book from the Literature Department and become thoroughly familiar with the life, problems and ambitions of its appealing young hero, Colly Harper. If you cannot get the book we will try to include enough constructive suggestions that you may follow the study.

Lay careful plans and allow plenty of time for preparation. At least three people should be responsible for reading the book or doing the necessary research.

Number One should introduce the people whose problems we are considering: The young boy (Colly) who longs for the security of "belonging" and the satisfaction of continuing worth-while interests. And there is Jay, his younger brother, with a small boy's craving for excitement. Pet, his little sister and the idol of his heart, is a pitiful little victim of poor food, poor shelter and lack of care. His dissatisfied father in continually rebellious against circumstances which always seem to be against him. And his discouraged mother remembers, sometimes reluctantly, a childhood in which things were better because her mother made them so. With a little encouragement she might institute some of these standards in her own family life.

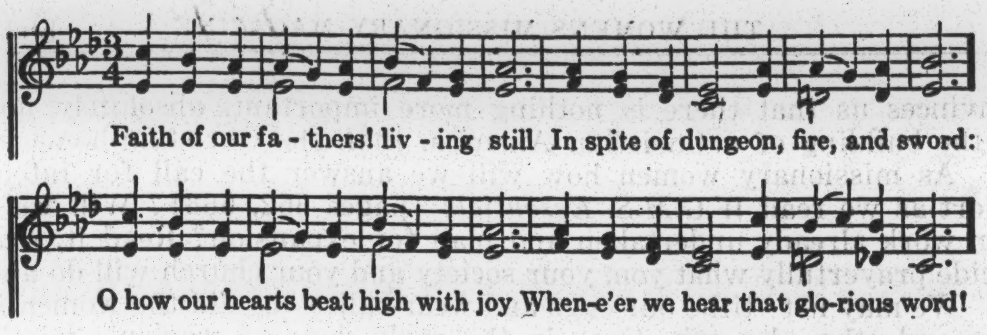
Number Two should describe their living conditions, and Number Three should analyze their problems emphasizing lack of proper housing, sporadic income, inadequate nourishment, sketchy schooling, and almost complete lack of any spiritual guidance.

If there is time for general discussion encourage the group members to tell of similar places and people they may know near by. Perhaps there is a trailer camp, an army settlement, or a mining town, or some area where living conditions are poor, and where little apparent effort is being made to improve them. Be sure to note that all such places are not thus neglected and that not all people in such areas react in the same way. Some make the most of whatever opportunities may be offered.

The suggestions in the foregoing paragraph may be used to develop a program if you are unable to secure a copy of *Tumbleweed Boy*. In that case it would be well to remember one of the key questions in the Foreword of *Again Pioneers*. What has been happening in American Life that significantly affects the need for home missions today?

Continuing with the year's theme song "Take My Life—" use "Take My Lips—" as the worship theme for this meeting. Everyone should be familar with the tune by this time, so that all may join in singing the six verses we have used in our programs. Use Scripture references, Psa. 141:3; Prov. 10:21; Eph. 6:18. The Prayer Cycle days are 22, 23, and 24.

We hope you will bend every effort toward a thorough understanding of the needs of home missions. For it is "to the degree that we are able to translate our Christianity in America into acts of Christian brotherhood, unselfishness and love, to that degree will our missionaries in other lands be taken seriously." (*Again Pioneers.*)


Faith of our fa - thers! liv - ing still In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy When-e'er we hear that glo-rious word!

Bible Songs Hymnal No. 270

Editorial

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FAITH OF OUR FATHERS—AND MOTHERS

This hymn brings before us a mental vision of the apostles, the martyrs of the early Christian era, and of countless men and women who have lived and died for *the faith* that meant more than life itself to them.

We honor their fidelity. It is fitting that we do so. They bequeathed to us a rich heritage of sacrificial Christian service, spiritual courage and unconquerable zeal.

A survey of the religious ancestry of the United Presbyterian church reveals many stalwart men and women of faith.

We sometimes forget that not all of our church ancestors, nor all of our national ancestors were deeply concerned with passing on to unborn generations the spirit of sacrificial fidelity to Christian ideals. We rejoice that enough were concerned to give us the rich inheritances we have today. We can only conjecture how much richer might have been our heritage if *all* had been concerned.

What about the Christian heritage that future generations will receive from us? Is it too much to hope that everyone who is called Christian today practice a "true-till-death" concern about the heritage passed on from these years of the mid-twentieth century? We wish all were deeply concerned. However, the indifference of some dare not make us indifferent; rather it should spur us on to do our share and more!

In our cycle of interdenominational Home Mission themes we are to consider in 1949-50, *Cooperation for a Christian Nation.* Cooperation means that we must work together as Christian individuals, as families, congregations, and then, with others beyond denominational lines. We need to "take stock" of the heritage handed down by far-seeing church fathers in order to rightly evaluate "the things that still matter."

We must dedicate ourselves to the patient winning of souls from paganism to Christ right here; we ought not leave undone our obligation toward the farther outreach" beyond our own communities and even beyond the shore lines that include that which we call the United States of America.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, says, "If there is hope for the future of America, if there is to be peace and happiness in our homes, then we, as a nation, must return to God and to the practice of daily family prayer. . . Our nation is sadly in need of a rebirth of the simple life—a return to the days when God was a part of each household, when families arose in the morning with a prayer on their lips, and ended the day by gathering together to place themselves in His care."

Mr. Hoover is talking about some of the "things that still matter." The Christian life he recommends is as possible today as it was yesterday, in spirit, at least, if not in exact method of carrying out. Observation convinces us that there is nothing more important, absolutely nothing, in the building of a Christian America, than the Christian-home unit.

As missionary women how will we answer the call for intensified effort as we read *W.G.M.S. Essentials* (pages 662, 663)? Will we maintain work already undertaken and plan for expansion? Read it, study it, decide prayerfully what you, your society and your church will do about it.

We may not "tithe our eggs and wear calico" as did the women of our own and other denominations in the early days of women's missionary organizations of a century ago. ("Calico" may be more expensive, anyhow, than some other materials.) But with a zeal to match theirs, each of us will find ways for practical, sacrificial living, prayer and giving.

DOUBT — FAITH

Doubt sees the obstacles—
Faith sees the way!
Doubt sees the darkest night—
Faith sees the day!
Doubt dreads to take a step—
Faith soars on high,
Doubt questions—"Who believes"
Faith answers—"I!" —*Selected*

Suggestions For September Program

Secure a copy of the small textbook, *Again Pioneers*, by Morse, 60c.

This study touches the every-day experiences of each one. Make it vital. Make it lively with discussion, led by one who shares a wholesome concern about Christianity in America. Time given to lamentation over the sins of America (and visitors from other lands tell us we have plenty) to the exclusion of a study of what we can actually do, and will decide to do, to conserve the good of the past and build upon it, would hardly seem best. The former is relatively easy; the latter takes careful study and prayer in preparation, but is worth the extra effort. Anyone can tear down and criticize; the useful Christian citizen builds constuctively.

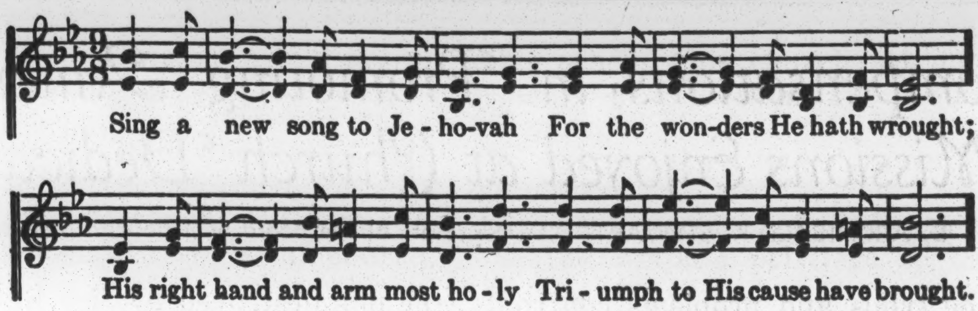
Use facts from many sources, current secular press material, too, if it substantiates what you wish to stress. *American Churches* by Sweet and *The Fabulous "Dutch Zellers"* by Jeffreys, also Reading Course books, might be used for quotations or briefly reviewed in the September or October program. See supplementary article by Dr. A. K. Stewart and the two challenging articles on temperance.

Mrs. Carson's outline review of the textbook should be most helpful in arranging your program material from text and other sources. Mrs. Carson includes a historical sketch of the U.P. Church. It is a heritage which we may present with pride, using available pictures and incidents.

In the *Congressional Record* of proceedings and debates of the 81st Congress appears the poem, *Jeopardy*, quoted by Congressman Thomas J. Lane of Massachusetts, in comments he made "Flag Day."

JEOPARDY

Men of America, in jeopardy
Stand the traditions of our country's soul;
Less and less the Nation's glorious role,
Gemmed with starry truth's white majesty,
Lives in our flag, long famed in peace and war.
False gods of justice, virtue, beauty spurn
The wisdom of our fathers and unlearn
The human heart and simple nature's lore.
The fashions, rivalries, fanfare, and din
Serve private ends and not the commonweal;
The billions of our riches, gold, and steel,
Grow Frankensteins, gross idols, public sin.
Have we no Christians now who live and die,
With truth their cross, to challenge every lie? —*James Patrick McGovern*


Sing a new song to Je - ho-vah For the won-ders He hath wrought;
His right hand and arm most ho - ly Tri - umph to His cause have brought.

Psalm 98, Bible Songs Hymnal No. 106

Learner's Quiz

(The messages from near and far in this *Magazine* should call forth a "new song" of gratitude and praise)

I. ECHOES OF THE W. G. M. S. CONVENTION (Pages 641-672)

1. Where did the Convention meet?
2. Who were the officers? Who were elected for the 1950 Convention?
3. What was the Convention theme?
4. How may we "redeem the time"?
5. What does "dynamic evangelism" demand?
6. How does Christ live today?
7. Name the Home and Foreign missionaries present.
8. What noble "resolves" should be put into action by every woman, young woman and child in our Church?
9. What is "The Arch of Gratitude"?
10. What is a Jalsa?

II. FACTS AND FIGURES (Pages 673-714)

11. What was the most extensive undertaking of the Women's Board during the past year?
12. Who received honors and awards (Women, Y.W., Jr.)? Why?
13. Did we have an increase or decrease in membership?
14. Five channels for disbursing funds from General Treasury?
15. What is "Kit and Kat"?
16. What periodicals are eager to keep you informed about our mission work?
17. The "Junior A.B.C.'s"—can you say them?
18. What is America's unsolved problem?
19. What is the purpose of Prayer Groups?
20. What building was made possible because of the Junior Thank Offering?

III. W. G. M. S. SYMPHONY (Pages 715-821)

21. Who is the physician at Jane Cook Hospital?
22. How many on the Ezel School faculty?
23. What are some routine duties of a Home missionary?
24. Indentify: Miss Grayce Salley, Miss Mary Conley, Mrs. Eva Adams, Rev. C. C. Brown, Mr. A. C. Peoples.
25. Name the missionary at each American Indian station.
26. What doctor from Sialkot Hospital plans to study in America this autumn?

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Compensations in Promoting American Missions Enjoyed at Church Dedications

By ARCHIBALD K. STEWART, D.D., Secretary of the Board of American Missions

The trials and problems confronting the American board and its secretary are many and perplexing, but there are compensations. The joy of participation in the services of dedication of a new church building or the rededication of an old one is a privilege and an experience long to be remembered. To witness the satisfaction on the faces of minister, building and finance committee members and the people of the congregation of a task completed after months of planning, waiting and hard work and to know that you and the Board you represent have had a large part in the fulfillment of their dreams are highly rewarding.

The Board of American Missions has striven to erect worshipful, attractive and useful buildings, of which the members of the local church, community and denomination can be proud. The nine buildings dedicated during the past year have fulfilled that desire. All but one has the divided chancel—the pulpit and the lectern, opposing choir and the Communion table in the center at the rear of the chancel. The sanctuary has the center and side aisles. Bible school space has been provided for in the basement and small wing. The local building committee and the Board have striven to obtain simplicity and dignity in each building, which is the essence of beauty.

Sanctuary Replacing One Burned in 1947 Is Dedicated

Several accounts have been written of the dedication of the Bel-Vue, Los Angeles, church and of Prairie Village (Kansas City), Kans., church. The dedication of the Guinston, Pa., new building was an event of great interest. This new building, replacing the one destroyed by fire in 1947, is the third in the history of this, the oldest existing church organization in our denomination. The first building, a stone edifice, was erected in 1774. It is still standing and is used on occasions. The second was built in 1868 and destroyed by fire in 1947.

The Guinston church is a rural church and the service of dedication brought members and former members from a wide area. The church was erected by means of much planning and sacrificial giving and aid from the American board. It stands as a monument to the determination and devotion of a small but loyal group of people.

Sabbath, May 1, was the occasion of another dedication, that of the new church building, Pitzer, Iowa. Pitzer, too, is a rural church, its building standing at the crossroads. It, too, lost its former building, destroyed by fire in 1947. After months of planning, sacrificial giving both of money and labor, the members in this farming community completed their beautiful semi-Gothic edifice. Some 400 persons gathered for the dedication, coming from far and near. It was an occasion of joy and thanksgiving.

Church at Crossroads Holds Dedication

Tuesday evening, May 3, the writer was present for the rededication of the Romine Prairie church in Southern Illinois — another rural church. The church is "beautiful for situation." Modern highways do not always enhance the beauty of property, but in this case they do. It is located on a north and south highway and at the end of an east-west highway with the result that the church sits in the center of a large triangle formed by the Y connecting the two. Several large trees and a well-kept lawn complete the setting. Inspired by their young pastor, Rev. George Kehrli, and a son of the congregation, the Rev. Walter McClure, D.D., pastor of the Memorial Presbyterian church, St. Louis, Mo., the people of the congregation determined to renovate and beautify the interior of their church and at the same time make it more adequate. The sanctuary was transformed into a beautiful place of worship, well appointed and modern in every respect. A room to the side was added and a basement excavated. The service of rededication commemorated a work well done and I am certain "well pleasing to the Lord."

City Church Has Double Dedication

The West View Park congregation, north of Pittsburgh proper, dedicated its renovated sanctuary and addition on Sabbath, May 8. Hard pressed for room for worship and a Bible school, this church set out to remedy the situation. The result is an enlarged and beautiful sanctuary and more adequate educational quarters.

In each service of dedication it was the writer's privilege to bring the message. In each of these projects the Board of American Missions aided financially, with the exception of Pitzer, to which congregation it gives salary aid. It is significant that all are rural churches except West View Park. In each case the task was initiated and carried to completion because the people had a will and a "mind to work." Each was dedicated to the glory of God and for the edification of his people and for the salvation of men.

The Women's Missionary Magazine reprints, with the permission of Dr. Stewart, this article which appeared in *The United Presbyterian,* May 16, 1949.

LEARNER'S QUIZ

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27. What was the year's theme of the Bible course in the Synod of the Punjab?
28. What are problems of the Avalon high school in Pathankot?
29. Complete the quotation: "These stir the surface waters; the deep ...."
30. Who worried about the Pathans coming? Who did not worry?
31. What percentage of people in India and Pakistan are literate?
32. Why have our hospitals in Pakistan and India been unusually busy?
33. Where is the new Bible Women's residence in the North Sudan? The new church?
34. What training must an approved teacher have in the South Sudan?
35. Who is Cuol Bidon?
36. Where is a school for the blind being built?
37. Why has the deputy governor of Maji, Ethiopia, shown kindness to our missionaries?
38. Who is Miss Iffa? Miss Evon Boulis?
39. How many children are in Fowler Home?
40. Who has been conducting a psalm-tune-writing contest?
41. Why did some one want pods of the "sunt" tree from the P.M.I. garden?
42. What was the enrollment in the American College for Girls in Cairo?
43. Where was a room decorated with dolls at Christmas?
44. In what work does Miss Halana delight?
45. Where are plans going forward in the erection of a new hospital?
46. Who had to eat one dozen hard-boiled eggs for discipline?

"Give Christ The Best"

Christ *wants* the best. He in far off ages
Once claimed the firstling of the flock, the finest of the wheat;
And still He asks His own with gently pleading
To lay their highest hopes and brightest talents at His feet;
He'll not forget the feeblest service, humblest love;
He only asks that of our store we give to Him
The Best We have

Christ gives the best. He takes the hearts we offer
And fills them with His glorious beauty, joy, and peace.
And in His service, as we're growing stronger,
The calls of grand achievements still increase;
The richest gifts for us on earth, or in the heaven above
Are hid in Christ. In Jesus we receive
The Best We Have

And is our best too much? O friends, let us remember
How once our Lord poured out His soul for us,
And in the prime of His mysterious manhood
Gave up His precious life upon the cross;
The Lord of Lords, by whom the worlds were made,
Through bitter grief and tears gave us
The Best He Had

—*Selected*

Tomorrow's Citizens

ATTITUDES TOWARD DRINKING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

By RHODA ANN GILLESPIE*

I live in the rural community of Mt. Sterling, which has a population of about forty-five hundred, and is situated in the heart of Kentucky's Blue Grass.

A recent poll was taken from a good cross-section of the students in my school to determine their attitudes toward drinking. A large majority believed the drinking of alcoholic beverages to be socially unnecessary. They agreed that it is harmful both mentally and physically. They thought alcoholic beverages contained very little food value. They believed it unwise to drink while on dates or at parties. However, two-thirds of this same group thought that the driver of a car could safely drink anywhere from a very small amount, up to four or more bottles of beer. Fifty per cent of them thought it proper and right to drink occasionally. But practically all of them have a higher respect for the person who never drinks.

As was evident, their attitudes are often inconsistent, contradictory, and subject to change under social pressure or influence. For instance, one person said that drinking had no social value, but that it was proper and right to drink occasionally.

These confused attitudes reflect the conflicting teachings of their church life, their often liberal home life, their school life, and the attitudes of their social set. To illustrate, one prominent and popular physician in our town in urging the father of one of my friends, to stop drinking coffee, gave him an equal choice between drinking milk or beer. Such advice of more than one physician of "a little for the stomach's sake" has confused both youth and adults, as it sharply contrasts with the school text-book which says, "Whether the alcohol is taken in the form of beer, wine, or whisky does not matter. The injury follows, no matter what the alcohol drink." Now, I do not mean to infer that all of the youth of my school have confused attitudes. Many of them have solid and concrete beliefs.

Roughly speaking, there are three attitudes toward drinking to be found in my community. First, there is the group who believe in moderate social drinking. These people serve cocktails at most of their social gatherings. They are often prominent in the community because of wealth, or social and political leadership.

Second, there are those who see no harm in getting really drunk. Third, there are the people who take the attitude of total abstinence toward drinking. A good portion of the people of Mt. Sterling fall into this group. These people make up the most respectable and trustworthy citizens of our community.

Increasingly, people in my community are becoming conscious of the evil effects of alcohol and are against its use as a beverage.

I believe that total abstinence is the only wise course to follow regarding the drinking of alcoholic beverages. It first harms the brain, destroying self-criticism, reason and judgment. Socially, it can destroy my best judgment in conversation, and general self-control and conduct. It has the power to destroy my physical body. I learn from the Bible that my body is the temple of God. Furthermore, it is the only such body I will ever have. Scientists have proven that even the smallest amount of alcohol absorbed by the body lessens its ability to carry on its work. I want to live the happiest and most useful life possible; therefore, I have no desire to lessen the efficiency of my body or mind. Drinking lessens the ability of the body to make split-second choices requiring accuracy and precision, such as those needed in fast moving sports, like tennis, and basketball. It lessens physical endurance as required in aviation, football, or even ordinary school work.

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As the Bible puts it, "Wine is a mocker" and seeks to delude you into thinking that you can work longer and more accurately after a drink or two. In the face of such knowledge I cannot drink and I cannot have the highest respect for the person who does. As a Christian, I cannot knowingly drink that which has the power to harm and even destroy me physically, mentally, and spiritually. There is an old rhyme that goes, "I have to live with myself, and so, I want to be fit for myself to know." If I drink alcohol I cannot be fit company either for myself or my fellowmen.

My attitude can best be summed up in these words of Adolph Rupp, famous coach of the Kentucky Wildcats, when he says: "The one basic rule that every boy and girl, athlete or otherwise, should abide by is never drink alcohol in any form." (*Quoted from the National Temperance Digest.*)

Well Holes and Hell Holes

The well hole which brought a tragic death to 3½-year-old Kathy Fiscus has been obliterated, but the nearly 500,000 hell holes in this country which are bringing an even more tragic death to other girls and boys and men and women are left open.

The whole nation—and even people in other nations around the world—followed the dramatic rescue attempt in San Marino, Calif., almost breathlessly, and sorrowed with the parents when Kathy was found—dead. But little or no heed is paid to the hundreds of thousands of children either killed, orphaned, or made drunkards by the wide-open licensed, legal hell holes of the liquor traffic.

Kathy's death—tragic as it was—cannot well be laid to anyone's criminal act or negligence. It was, probably as nearly as any such happening can be, purely an accident. Still, in order to make sure that no similar accident should take another innocent life, a great searching out of open well holes has been going on, and, wherever they have been found, they have been properly capped and rendered harmless.

But, while the well holes are being eliminated, the hell holes are being augmented. New ones are constantly being opened up for unsuspecting youth to fall into—*and few seem the least bit concerned that this is so.*

Only a short time ago little Larry Daniel Downing, practically the same age as Kathy, died in a Paducah, Ky., hospital. He hadn't fallen into a well hole. He had been beaten to death by a drunken foster father. A total of $303.44 was collected to give Larry a decent burial, and the world went about its business as though nothing unusual had happened. And that is half the tragedy. Such things have almost ceased to be unusual. They happen so often that we have come to regard them as commonplace and shrug them off as either inevitable or unimportant.

God help us to see that a 3-year-old boy's being beaten to death by a drunken maniac is just as tragic as a 3-year-old girl's being suffocated in an abandoned well. Yes, even more so, for such deaths as Larry's are preventable. They are not accidents. They are the inevitable result of the licensing of over 466,000 booze selling places all over this country

How To Send Gifts To Negro Missions

MRS. H. RAY SHEAR, Secretary, 490 Serpentine Drive, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

TO ALABAMA STATIONS

The Negro stations have not shared largely in the generous donations of the women of the church. There are two reasons: first, they have not solicited such gifts for themselves; second, they are at such distances from our church centers as to make shipping costs high. It is the hope of your Negro secretary that neither of thse facts will continue to be barriers to a larger generosity to our splendid Negro schools and churches.

There is an economical way to ship. If a society decides to help an Alabama station, it should collect the clothing or other goods and pack in cartons or barrels until the weight is at least 100 pounds, then call the freight agent. When the truck is sent give the driver complete shipping instructions. The boxes should be addressed both with labels and with heavy crayon. Inside each box or barrel should be placed a large sheet of paper giving the following information: name of the missionary society or class, name of the church, name and address of the person making the shipment, so that it can be properly acknowledged. In addition, a letter or card should be sent to the principal at the time of shipment, telling him what to expect. (The number of boxes and contents.) This enables him to check with you in case of delayed arrival or loss. The approximate freight rate from Pittsburgh is $3.65 per hundred pounds.

SHIPPING ADDRESSES

Prin. A. C. Peoples
Camden Academy
Camden, Alabama

The above address is good for freight, express or parcel post.

Prin. N. D. Williams
Miller's Ferry Mission

If by parcel post address Miller's Ferry, Alabama. If by freight or express, address Camden, Alabama, with the additional information: "For Miller's Ferry."

Prin. William T. Peters
Prairie Mission

If by parcel post address Prairie, Alabama. If by freight or express address Catherine, Alabama, with the additional information: "For Prairie."

Prin. P. K. Thomas
Arlington Institute

If by parcel post address to Annemanie, Alabama. If by freight or express address Kimbrough, Alabama.

TO JUBILEE HOSPITAL

If sending to Jubilee Hospital address box or parcel to Mrs. Eva S. Adams, Supt., Jubilee Hospital, Henderson, N.C.

Same suggestions for addressing and enclosing information about the sending group and person written in above instruction apply to this station also.

Send by parcel post, express, or freight.

(Keep the above information for future reference)

WELL HOLES AND HELL HOLES

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of ours. And who is responsible for the licensing of these places? The voters, who vote for those that live by licensing these death traps.

Of all the sins of professed Christians in this country, this must be among the most offensive to God. How can anyone who claims to love Him who blessed little children vote for that which damns them? And yet that is the cruelly incongruous position in which millions of church members stand today. (*Quoted from The National Prohibitionist.*)

At Home In Maji

By MRS. FRED L. RUSSELL, Maji, Ethiopia

(Excerpts from letters sent to friends in the Homeland)

I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth—Psalm 34:1.

I wish you could sit with me in the doorway of our new living quarters and look across the countless miles of panorama spread out below and beyond. With the sunshine on fluffy, floating wisps of cloud below and tiny terraced fields farther below, one feels quite atop of the world. There is changing color, light and shade from dawn until dark and we never tire of just looking. Certainly I would not exchange this constant reminder of God's handiwork for any of the "biggest in the world" things that men are so proud of making. The sad feature is the vast number of people living in the area who know not there is a loving Savior who died that they might live.

We have been in Maji just over four months and in our new place about a month. The houses are not completed because we cannot get wood for door and window frames. If we were content to have no windows, as the natives build, it would save us much trouble! We have the windows on the windward side nicely framed with celloglass and doors made of planks two inches thick, hewn from great logs. On the sheltered side we have a wonderful view with nothing to hinder!

Alas, if we can look out, so can others look in and long are the pauses as the women carry mud for the outside plastering of the walls past the open doors and windows. Yes, the women are the ones who carry in this land, but at least these get a little pay and some food each noon, which is more than they know when working elsewhere. Talk about living in a gold-fish bowl--what a time we have to get our dentures washed unobserved after lunch, since some of the workers have learned that they can magically be removed!

Our beds (camp-cots) covered with old-fashioned white bedspreads to protect the blankets from constant sifting down from the grass roof, are a source of wonder to them. They sleep on a skin on the floor with only another skin, or at best, one cloth, to cover the family. When a little lad who tends the fire for heating water in the outside kitchen came to work, I asked him if he had any blanket to sleep in at night. He replied, "I have no cloth but this shirt. At home I sleep by my father." His calm assurance that he had no need as long as he was home by his father gave me cause to search my own heart why I should ever lack when our Father has riches untold to give us.

When I said we were in our new living quarters I spoke literally for the main building is a large round tukl, 24 feet in diameter, and one quarter shelters our beds and dresser (one and only piece of furniture), one quarter is for living and eating, one for the work-bench, tools, camping stuff, etc., and by the front door, our reception room! The store room has an aluminum roof and so is much drier than the wet grass-thatched main tukl. We have made shelves of poles with torn-down packing cases and on these precious four long shelves is the only place where things do not mold daily. There we have everything from the typewriter, victrola, books and papers, shoes, lanterns, pans and dishes, to the sugar, flour and supplies from market of bananas, onions and eggs.

It really is not as bad as it sounds and we are able to be clean and well nourished. We live simply but luxuriously, as to food, with good vegetables from our own garden now and all the meat, eggs, butter and milk we can use at nominal prices. Good beef is about 10c a lb., eggs 8c a dozen and a chicken 20c. There are no imported supplies except salt which is about 20c a lb. Honey takes the place of sugar and grains have to be ground by a woman at a grinding stone. Coffee grows wild in the woods and is cheaper than salt!

Ato Tadessa, the acting Governor, (once a mission boy in Gorei), has continued to be helpful. He and Wezero Turunish are real friends and neighbors to us. We are often invited to their home to dine. Though our hostess is the Governor's wife she sends a servant the last moment to borrow cups for coffee and forks and spoons. On state occasions she sends her shoes to be shined, but she sends us gifts of food often. When some new cloth came from Addis she sent for the sewing machine, accompanied by its owner. Singer sewing machines are to be found in remote places. She asked me if I would cut out Esther's dresses. Esther is eight, so an old dress of Dorothy's made a good pattern. As I have said many times: whatever else one may say of a missionary career, life is never dull!

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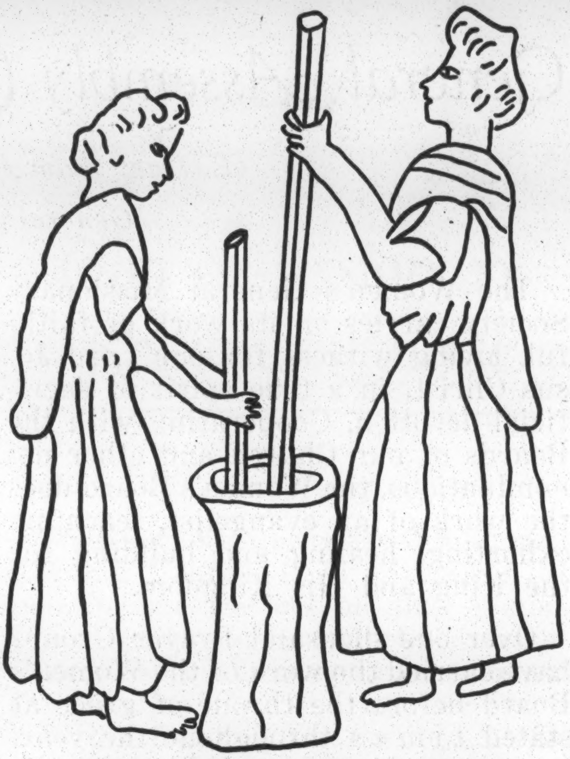
(From the excerpts above from a letter written in November, we turn to another letter sent by Mrs. Russell in March.)

I am "not at home" today because Desta, my faithful woman helper, is "doing" the floor. In our rustic house, without benefit of any wood except poles, our floor is old mother earth and according to Ethiopian usage it needs a "polish" to keep down the dust. This is done by spreading a thin coat of cow manure, which Desta does expertly with her hands. Sounds terrible? Well, it smells worse just now but by night it will be cement-like, odorless, smooth and clean, believe it or not! We have done our school and church buildings thus for years but I never thought I would live on such a floor. It is not as bad as it sounds to you with your hard wood and dustless mops. Dorothy gets as much fun from running down the hill for a fresh broom of big ferns as your ten-year-old does from going to the corner grocery. I am sure she has more fun helping parch and pound the coffee in a wooden mortar and pestle, weaving baskets, picking out cotton seed, and spinning thread.



• Women Grinding Grain in Ethiopia
(From a sketch made by Mrs. Ruth L. Walker)

As for the doors and windows, we really can hope for some soon.

A group of Terma folk have been coming to the clinic for the attention of Mrs. Pollock and Miss Eileen Halewood. These people walked five miles from their home. Some have great sores, which must be "yaws" and two had infected lips. This is the tribe you see pictured with saucers in the lower lip—just the women have this aid to beauty! After an injection, one seemed faint, so Mrs. Pollock gave her some honey. Instead of put-

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General Assembly Commends WGMS

(Extract from the Minutes of the General Assembly)

The Women's General Missionary Society carries on its work of faithful, loving witness for our Lord Jesus Christ, in a true spirit of sacrificial devotion. Cooperating with the Boards of our Church and other denominations, the Women's Board does the work of an evangelist, teaching, exhorting, healing and building for the King and His Kingdom.

Over one thousand Prayer Groups have carried the work of the Women's Board before the throne of grace at stated times throughout the year. Prayer power undergirds the work of this Board and contributes in no small measure to its effectiveness.

It is encouraging to note that the Women's Board is launching new work while cooperating to advance old work. The tragic plight of the needy Navajo Indians in this country was graphically presented through the Press. Not only is there a need for food and clothing but the Women's Board has sensed also a need for Christ. The Rev. Fred Patterson will soon be on the field to start this new work. New building plans are in various stages of realization: (1) a new building is finished at Frenchburg, Ky., (2) plans are made to start work soon on an addition to Tanta Hospital, Egypt, and (3) plans are going forward for the erection of the Women's Ward of Taxila Hospital, Pakistan. Miss Joan Yilek is the first Women's General Missionary Society's missionary to the Anuak tribe in South Sudan. During the past year the Women's Board cooperated in the Foreign Missions Advance Program to stimulate interest in and support for the foreign missions enterprise.

"Precious to the Lord is the death of his saints." Mrs. J. D. Sands, who for thirty-seven years served on the Women's Board, has gone to her reward. Other faithful servants have also passed on: Miss Margaret Bell and Miss Ulrica Liggett of Egypt, and Mr. Thomas Moore and son of Ezel, Ky.

Many responsibilities fall to the Women's Board: Salaries for all their missionaries, upkeep of buildings, distribution of literature, travel expenses, parsonage loans and grants, necessary bonuses and scholarships. We call the attention of the ministers and elders of the church to the fact that over one-third of this work is financed through the Annual Thankoffering; the rest through offerings and gifts and projects.

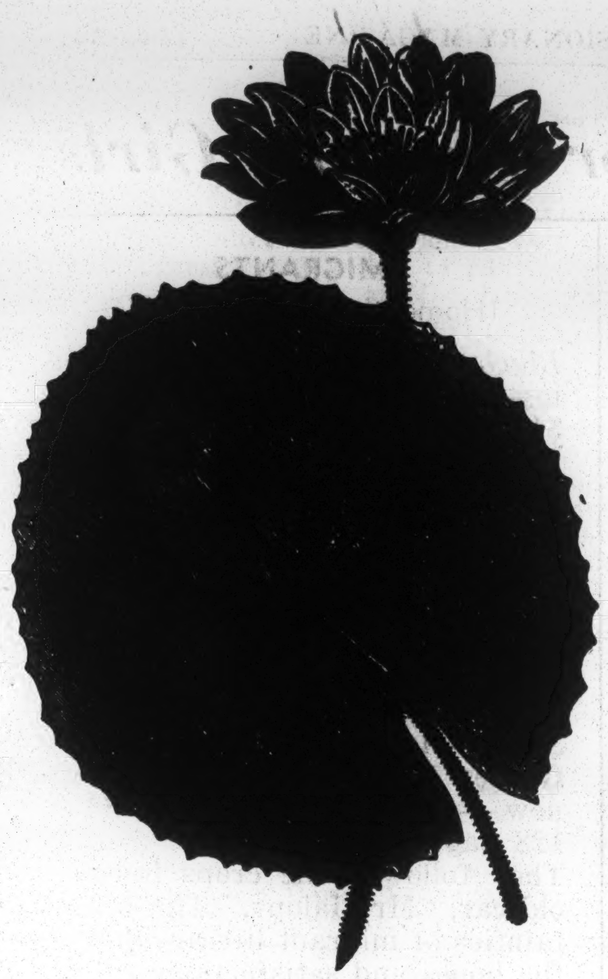
We commend the Board for its helpful cooperation with other Boards, for its selfless ministry for Christ, for its adventuring in a new work among the Navajo Indians and for the prayerful efficient conduct of all its work.

We recommend that the General Assembly express its gratitude to the Women of the Church for their faithful labor with us in the Kingdom of Christ.

We recommend that sessions of the local congregations encourage the women in their work, and help promote the Annual Thank Offering.

We recommend that the representatives of the Women's Board who are present in this Assembly, be heard at this time: Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery and Mrs. Arthur B. McBride.

New Literature for You...



TWO EGYPTIAN LILIES

The water lily and the lotus have their roots in the mud and slime of pools and marshes, yet they produce beautiful blooms. Miss Venna R. Patterson, missionary to Egypt, presents in symbolism the lives of two Christians whose beautiful characters have developed from squalid backgrounds. (Cost of leaflet, 2c.)

The Missionary Reading Course

New
Free
Leaflet

A leaflet explaining the Missionary Reading Course. It is a revision of two former leaflets on this theme. The aim in sending it forth is to answer questions frequently asked about the Reading Course. Do you know how the Reading Course began? Do you know how many books you need to read to receive an award? Do you know what award you will receive for each year of reading?

. . . All answers in this leaflet . . .

Send for all literature and supplies to Literature Department, 904 Publication Building, 209 Ninth St., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. (Exception: subscriptions to The Women's Missionary Magazine, and Program Calendars. See address of Magazine Treasurer on inside front cover.)

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Twelve Negro Americans	$ .75	
A Negro's Faith in America	2.00	
Great American Negroes	2.50	
White Man Yellow Man	1.00	cloth $1.75
MISSIONARY		
Pathfinders of the World Missionary Crusade	2.75	
Tomorrow Is Here	.90	
A Life for the Congo	2.00	
Doctor Henry of Assiut	1.00	
JUNIOR BOOKS		
We Sing America (Race)	.75	
Little Brothers of Mine	.20	
Missionary Mother Goose Rhymes	.15	
Children of Mud Villages (India)	.20	

Mission Study For Boys and Girls

JAPAN

(Foreign theme 1949-1950)

Where the Carp Banners Fly—(Junior—Grades 4-5-6) by Grace McGavran — Cloth $1.75 — Paper $1.00—128 pages.
Two Japanese boys, during the war years, share the old-time festival of *Boys' Day* "when the carp banners fly," and later, the Christmas festival, is new to both boys.

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Tributes

Miss Esther A. Purdy

The Women's Missionary Society of the Southfield United Presbyterian church of Detroit Presbyterial wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Miss Esther A. Purdy who was called to her heavenly home on March 16, 1949.

She was a loyal member of the society, a teacher for many years in the Sabbath School and a life-long member of the church.

She was a sincere Christian, always modest and retiring. She had a wonderful personality and a smile for everyone. She was much loved and was a blessing to all with whom she came in contact.

We deeply regret our loss. We humbly bow to the will of God who doeth all things well.

The Committee

Mrs. Sarah Ann Downs Lobaugh

The Women's Missionary Society of White Oak Springs United Presbyterian church, Connoquenessing, Pa., wishes to pay a loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Sarah Ann Downs Lobaugh who departed this life March 19, 1949.

We mourn her passing not only as a dear personal friend but also as a loyal worker in our church and society. She was our society treasurer for thirty-three years.

She was always willing to accept responsibility. Her home was ever open to missionaries and visitors of our congregation.

To her loved ones we extend our deepest sympathy and commend them to God's care and comfort.

Committee
Mrs. P. C. Anderson
Mrs. L. M. Rose

Miss Anna Jane Robb

The Women's Missionary Society of Jamestown, Ohio, offers a tribute of love to the memory of Miss Anna Jane Robb, who went to her Heavenly Home on April 14, 1949, after one day's illness.

From early childhood her life had been devoted to the interests of the Kingdom of God. Her father, the saintly Dr. W. A. Robb, of precious memory, was pastor of the Jamestown church for over fifty years. For twenty-one years she was head of the department of History of Knoxville College, honored and loved by all who knew her.

Anna will be remembered as a friend, in the truest sense. Wholly unselfish, her thoughts and deeds were for others. Hers was a beautiful life, consecrated to the Savior she so faithfully served. Her last work was the preparation of a service of worship for which she was scheduled on the program of the Xenia Presbyterial, which met on the day of her death.

Our most sincere sympathy is extended to her sisters, Mrs. Robert L. Dean and Mrs. Frank D. Findley. She rests from her labors and her works do follow her.

Committee

Mrs. Viola Baker

The members of the senior Women's Missionary Society of Rocky Springs United Presbyterian church, New Castle, Pa., wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Viola Baker, a faithful and loyal member of our society who was called to her heavenly reward on March 14, 1949.

We knew her only to love her, for she was ever giving willing service to her Master in her unassuming way, offering liberal support to all of the church activities.

To her family and loved ones we extend our sincere sympathy.

Committee

Mrs. Emma Waite

The Women's Missionary Society of the Homewood United Presbyterian church, Pittsburgh, Pa., wishes to pay a loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Emma Waite who was called to her heavenly home, April 29, 1949.

For over fifty years, Mrs. Waite was a loyal Christian worker in our church, faithful to the Prayer Meeting service, the Sabbath School, the Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid Society. Modest and unassuming she was always kind in word and deed and we shall miss her presence and friendship.

To her family we extend our sincere sympathy.

Belle H. Charles
Marie E. Gray

Miss Ora Martin Liggitt

We, the members of the Women's Missionary Society of the Seventh United Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of Ora Martin Liggitt who was called to her Eternal Home on March 24, 1949, after a lingering illness. Her faithful service for eighteen years as President of this society and her devotion to her Master have always been an inspiration to those who worked with her.

We are grateful for the privilege of having known her these thirty-five years and feel that our lives have been enriched thereby. She will always be remembered with affection and respect.

A devoted wife and mother, her children will rise up and call her "Blessed."

Ora Liggitt, daughter of Rev. and Mrs.

J. Kell Martin, a United Presbyterian minister; and wife of Rev. J. Walter Liggitt, the pastor of Seventh Church, was a gracious, intelligent, consecrated Bible teacher.

To her loved ones, we extend our sympathy and commend them to her Saviour, whom she loved.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

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Mrs. Alice Beecroft Anderson

The Women's Missionary Society of the Roney's Point United Presbyterian church wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Alice Beecroft Anderson who passed away on February 8, 1949.

Unassuming and modest, she was nevertheless faithful to her church and its activities.

To her granddaughter and son-in-law we extend our sympathy.

Committee,
Mrs. P. H. Craig
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Mrs. J. L. Peltret

The women of the San Francisco Presbyterial of California, wish to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. J. L. Peltret, who passed away in San Francisco, February 21, 1949.

She was treasurer of our Presbyterial from the year 1942 until her passing. She was not only accurate and faithful in her duties as treasurer, but active and interested in all phases of the presbyterial work.

To her friends she was known as Twila Frances and her personality was vivacious and full of joy in service for her Lord. We miss her sorely and wish to express our sympathy to her mother, Mrs. Dugan, and commend her to the Saviour whom Twila loved and served so well.

"O Lord, support us all the day long,
Until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes
And the busy world is hushed,
And the fever of life is over, and our work is done,
Then in thy mercy grant us safe lodging,
And a holy rest and peace at last."

Committee,
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Mrs. J. C. Long

Miss Anna Jane Robb

Affectionate and loving tribute is expressed by the Women's Missionary Society of the Knoxville, Tennessee United Presbyterian Church to the memory of Miss Anna Jane Robb who passed to her heavenly home April 14, 1949 after two days illness. Miss Robb had been a member of the Knoxville College Faculty from 1927-1948 and during that time she had been an active loyal member of our missionary society. Her influence lives in the hearts of the teachers, students, and friends. She loved her Lord, the Church, and the Bible.

To her relatives and friends we extend our sincerest sympathy.

Committee,
(Miss) Margaret Moss
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Mrs. Martha Brown

The members of the Women's Missionary Society of College Corner, Ohio, wish to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Martha A. Brown, who was called to her Heavenly Home on April 13, 1949.

She was a faithful member of the missionary society, church and Sabbath school as long as her health permitted.

To her family, we express our deepest sympathy, and commend them to our Heavenly Father's care.

Committee

Mrs. Bessie Giebrich

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian church of Aledo, Illinois, wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Bessie Giebrich who was called to her heavenly home on April 3, 1949.

In her death we have lost a faithful member. Her quiet manner and willingness to serve whenever she could was an inspiration for nobler living. She was a member of the church, Sabbath School and missionary society. She also enjoyed working with the Juniors.

For some time she had been a shut-in yet her pleasant smile gave evidence of an inward happiness and peace with God.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her loved ones.

Committee,
Mrs. Mary Swartout
Miss Eva Ramsey

Mrs. John Livingston

The Women's Association of the First United Presbyterian Church of Seattle, Washington, would pay a loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. John Livingston, called home March 5, 1949.

Her many years of active service were spent in the Elmwood United Presbyterian church of Des Moines, Iowa and in the Neil Avenue church of Columbus, Ohio.

Coming West with her husband in 1945 she identified herself with the work of this church. She was faithful in attendance at all of its services.

She gave a joyous service, a fine cooperation, an earnest interest and effort in behalf of the Kingdom.

To her children and beloved grandchildren we extend our sympathy.

Committee

Mrs. Elizabeth Yearian

The Women's Missionary Society of the First United Presbyterian church, Bellaire, Ohio, wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Yearian. She was called to her reward on November 27, 1948. She had been a loyal and faithful member all of her life.

To her loved ones we extend our sympathy and commend them to our Heavenly Father's care.

Mrs. A. C. White
Mrs. L. L. DuBois

Mrs. Elizabeth Waggoner

The Evening Missionary Society of the First United Presbyterian Church of Denver, Colorado wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Waggoner, who was called to her heavenly home on March 16, 1949.

Her sudden passing was a shock to her family and friends. She will be especially remembered as a true faithful follower of Jesus Christ. She was faithful to His Church, interested in every phase of the work. Perhaps her greatest interest was in the missionary work, to which she made such a generous contribution of her time, talents and money. She was one of our most valued members. As a tither, she was an inspiration to many who heard her tell of the blessing tithing had been to her.

Her fine Christian character and pleasing personality have endeared her to her many friends, who will ever cherish her memory. We extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to her beloved family and commend them to the care and keeping of our Lord, whom she loved and served.

The Evening Missionary Society
The First United Presbyterian Church,
Denver, Colorado

Mrs. Anna Kelso

We wish through our beloved *Magazine* to pay tribute to the memory of our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. Anna Kelso, who was a daughter of the late Dr. A. R. Anderson, who was pastor of the Venice U.P. Church for many years.

Mrs. Kelso was a life long member of the Venice U.P. Church. She was a charter member of the W.M.S. of Venice Church which was organized on December 7, 1888.

She was faithful in attendance as long as her health permitted. She was of a sweet, retiring disposition which endeared her to all who knew her.

To her sons and their families we extend our heart-felt sympathy and know in their hearts, as in ours, her memory lingers sweetly, tender, fond and true.

Her abiding love and faith in her Lord and Master will always be an inspiration to each of us, who are members of the Venice W.M.S.

W.M.S.,
Venice U.P. Church

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AT HOME IN MAJI

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ting it in her mouth, the woman poured it on this wooden disc, tightened the lip muscle to tip it up and licked the honey up with her tongue. The custom is banned by the government and it is truly barbaric. We cannot speak to them in any common language, as is the case with five or six other tribes that come. We have daily and twice-a-Sabbath services, with Bible teaching, all in Amharic, as prescribed by law. The idea is to unify the people by using only the official language but it is a great handicap to Gospel teaching throughout a land of illiterate people. We feel the village school is the solution.

While in Addis we purchased a flour mill, powered to run with the jeep power take-off. There is no way to get any grain ground except by a woman rubbing one stone over another—it just makes my back ache to think of the tons of flour eaten, all made in this painful manner. How we praise the Lord for this "off the budget" gift which paid for the mill and pray that the many contacts it will bring shall be used for His glory and the spread of the Gospel.

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'Tis but a half truth the poet has sung
Of the house by the side of the way;
Our Master had neither a house nor a home,
But He walked with the crowd day by day.

And I think when I read of the poet's desire,
That a house by the road would be good;
But service is found in the tenderest form
When we walk with the crowd in the road.

—*Walter Gresham*

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